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## N. D. DAVENPORT

N. D. Davenport of Canton, formerly of Bethel, died Friday, Dec. 17, 1981, at the Franklin Memorial Hospital, Farmington, where he had been a patient for days.

He was born June 8, 1898, in Farmington, the son of James and Merriam Davenport. He attended high school and lived most of his life in the Madrid and Kingfield areas. He had worked as a woodsman and farm laborer and was employed for over 20 years at the Kingfield Manufacturing Co., Kingfield, retiring in 1961. He was a member of the I.O.O.F., Madrid, the Reads Mills Baptist Church, Madrid, and a former member of the Woodstock Senior Center. He had been a resident of the Victorian Villa Rest Home, Farmington, since last May.

Surviving are two sons: Richard Davenport, Plymouth, N. H., and Mark Davenport, Groveton, N. H.; two daughters, Mrs. Mildred Jewell, Farmington, Mass., and Mrs. Marion Strong, 11 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at the spring at Evergreen Cemetery, Phillips, at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 19. Burial will be in the spring at Evergreen Cemetery, Phillips. Visiting hours at the home of Mrs. Davenport, 11 Grandchildren, 14 Great Grandchildren, 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5.

## MAUDE V. BROWN

Mrs. Maude V. Brown died late Tuesday night, Nov. 19, 1981, at her home in Milton Plantation.

She was born in Newry, Nov. 1893, the daughter of Walter Mary Fout Vail. She had lived in this area all her life.

She is survived by a daughter, Elaine Roberts, Milton; two sons, Ernest Clifford of North Norway and John Clifford of Virginia; a step-daughter, Mrs. Charlotte Stratten; a sister, Mrs. Jarvis of Rumford; eleven grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon, Nov. 23, at Greenlawn Cemetery, North Wadsworth.

## ANOR GORDON GUILD MEET DEC. 9

The next meeting of the Eleanor Guild will be a pot luck dinner and Christmas tree at the home of Norma Buck, Wednesday, Dec. 9, at 6:30. Secret Sister dues will be revealed. The red lights for the tree also.

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**STUDYING HIS PART** — Ed Greenleaf (foreground), starring as Elwood P. Dowd, going over the script of "Harvey", as Jim Grover, stage hand, looks on. The production is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Dec. 11-12, at the Telstar Auditorium.

## "Harvey" is Ready For Presentation at Telstar, Dec. 11-12

"Good evening Mr. Dowd..." and so "Harvey" opens this Friday evening at Telstar Regional High School after many hours of rehearsals and technical preparation. Curtain is at 8 p.m., Friday, Dec. 11, and Saturday, Dec. 12. There will be refreshments on sale during intermission and after performances, by the freshmen class.

Tickets are on sale now at the Hillside Racquetball and Health Club and Prim's Pharmacy in South Paris, and Prim's Pharmacy and the Telstar Regional High School office in Bethel. Tickets will also be available at the door before performances. Start the holiday season off right with good family entertainment. See "Harvey", presented by the Telstar Regional High School Drama Club.

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**GETTING IT RIGHT** — Linda Lowe, as Myrtle Mae Simmons, during one of the many rehearsals for "Harvey" at Telstar, to be presented at the school's Auditorium, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 11-12.

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## FROM THE bethel town office

The Bethel Board of Assessors met Monday evening and acted on a variety of items. Abatements were approved for boats that are no longer owned or those that were not properly assessed, and/or for other assessment corrections.

In other action, the Board voted to give an economic depreciation factor to a poultry house building in Bethel. The next meeting of the Assessors will be Jan. 4, 1982.

The Board of Selectmen will meet on Dec. 12, at the Bethel Savings Bank at seven o'clock. Agenda items will include interviews for appointments to the Recreation Board, a meeting with the Bethel Water District Trustees, review of a pole permit application for Bird Hill, signing of snow removal reimbursement forms for the Department of Transportation, and other routine items.

The Board reminds anyone that is interested in being appointed as a Bethel Water District Trustee to please make their intentions known to any Board member or to the Bethel Town Office.

A rabies clinic will be held at the Bethel Fire Station on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 12 from 2:30 to 4:30 for all cats and dogs. The Town Clerk will be available to sell 1982 dog licenses.

## TELSTAR MUSIC DEPT. TO HAVE TWO PUBLIC CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

The Telstar Music Department will present its Christmas Concert on Thursday evening, Dec. 17 at 7:30 in the Telstar Auditorium. Three groups will be featured this year. The always surprising Middle School Band, the joyous High School Chorus, and the fantastic High School Concert Band. A quintet or two will play Christmas songs for you to enjoy, and there is planned something very special. Don't miss this show.

A small version of the High School Chorus, with some instrumentalists, will be teaming up with Gould Academy at the Congregational Church on Tuesday, Dec. 15, to present a special kind of performance which will include a combined performance of both schools and the church choir singing part of the great Handel's "Messiah".

It is hoped that many can find time in their busy schedules to see both of these performances.

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## Plans Progressing For Sun., Dec. 20 Nativity Pageant

Since last report, several people have come forward to offer their assistance in various capacities of the Annual Living Nativity Pageant. There are never too many volunteers for projects as special as this. People are still needed—You, for example.

There are only 10 days left for you to volunteer your services. Call Chris Greenleaf at 824-2175, ext. 406 to find out how you can help. Plan to attend the meeting on Sunday evening, Dec. 13, at 6:30 in the meeting room of the Moses Mason House.

Performances of the pageant will be on Sunday, Dec. 20 at 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. on the Bethel Common.

## ELDERLY SERVICES COORDINATOR DESIGNATED TO SERVE BETHEL AREA

The Bethel Area Health Center is one of nine locations across Maine for a new project designed to benefit the health and well being of elderly persons and to decrease the need to place them in nursing homes and other institutions.

Muriel Whitney R. N. of Bethel has been designated Elderly Services Coordinator for the Bethel area. As the service coordinator, she will be based at the health center and will work with elderly who may need a number of different services, home health care, transportation to medical appointments, home meal deliveries, physical therapy or counseling. The project hopes to demonstrate that with more effective coordination of services which already exist, more elderly can remain in their communities, rather than be placed in nursing homes and other care facilities.

In addition to working with health and social service agencies, Mrs. Whitney will encourage "informal networks" such as family, neighbors, churches and community volunteer groups to provide needed help. Elderly do not have

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## CHRISTMAS CHORAL CONCERT AT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 15

Singers and instrumentalists from Gould Academy, Telstar Regional High School, Community Chorus, and Bethel churches will present a Christmas program of choral and instrumental music on Tuesday evening, Dec. 15, at 7:30 in the Congregational Church on Church Street.

The first half of the program will include musical selections by the Gould Madrigal Singers, Telstar Singers and instrumentalists, and the Adult Education Community Chorus. After a short intermission, a combined choir will sing four choruses from the Christmas section of Handel's "Messiah". Soloists for the "Messiah" include Brendon Bass, Mac Davis, Carol Fiske, Sue Mitchell, Nancy Davis and Janet Stowell. The "Messiah" choruses will be directed by Mrs. Frank Fiske, who will also direct the Gould Singers. The Telstar Singers will be under the direction of Jerry Heffley, and Susan Mitchell will lead the Community Chorus.

## BETHEL HISTORICAL SOCIETY HOLDS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MEETING

The annual Christmas meeting of the Bethel Historical Society was held Thursday evening, Dec. 3, in the meeting room of the Dr. Moses Mason House. Singing of old time Christmas songs was led by Arlene Walker at the piano. A book "The Gift of Christmas Past: A Return to Victorian Traditions" by Sunny O'Neil was recently received from the American Association for State and Local History and brought to the continued on Page Eight

to be affiliated with the Health Center to qualify for help. Mrs. Whitney can be reached at 824-2193.

The project is jointly sponsored by Kennebec Valley Regional Health agency, Western Older Citizens Council and the Bethel Area Health Center. It is funded by a grant from the United States Public Health Service.

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## Robbery Suspect Is Apprehended in Riley Plt., Tuesday

At about nine o'clock on Tuesday morning of this week Maine State Police arrested Robert R. Haller, 47, of Portland after an all-night vigil at a camp in Riley Plantation.

Warrants were outstanding from the Portland Police Department seeking Haller in connection with a \$3,000 armed robbery at the Wellwood Store in the Westgate Shopping Center, Portland, on Oct. 30. The suspect was also sought for assault on the store manager and possession of a firearm by a felon. Haller is on parole from a 10-50 year sentence at Maine State Prison for the kidnapping of a woman in Orrington in 1965.

Transported initially to the Oxford County Jail he was transferred to Cumberland County Jail early Tuesday afternoon.

Booked on charges of harboring a fugitive were Susan L. Ware, 27, of Portland, and an unnamed 17-year-old female juvenile.

## BETHEL LODGE TO INSTALL TONIGHT (THURSDAY)

Tonight (Thursday, Dec. 10), Bethel Lodge #97 A.F. & A.M., will hold a semi-public installation of its officers for 1982. Colwyn F. Haskell of Bethel and Frank Bean from Bryant Pond, Past District Deputies for the Grand Lodge will act as installation officers, assisted by Alvin Barth, the present District Deputy for the 20th Masonic District of Maine.

A ham supper will precede this meeting at 6:30 p.m., followed by a short business meeting at 7:30. Installation will follow and all area Masons and their wives and families are urged to attend this very important ceremony.

## M.S.A.D. #44 BOARD TO MEET

The board of directors of S.A.D. 44 are scheduled to meet in regular session next Monday evening, Dec. 14, at 7:30 in the library at Telstar Regional High School.

## SENIOR CITIZEN MENU

Monday, Dec. 14: Cabbage soup, hot dog in roll, pickles, apricots.  
Tuesday, Dec. 15: Chicken chow mein, rice, carrots, pineapple ambrosia.

Thursday, Dec. 17: Beef Stew, pickles, apple sauce, cookies.

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# MIDDLE INTERVALE MEETING HOUSE INTERIOR RENOVATION PROGRESS PLEASES SOCIETY

Members of the Middle Intervale Meeting House Society are pleased with progress made on interior restoration this year. Plaster has been repaired after stripping of old paper. Painting of the interior will be done in the spring by Dennis Wheeler who has done this work and the painting of the exterior which has brought many pleased comments from people.

Restoration work has been accomplished by raising money in various ways: dues in the society; sale of notepaper; gifts from interested persons, including a number from out of town, and especially from sale of pews and foundation stones, with purchasers usually memorializing someone in this thoughtful way. Names will appear on suitable plaques when work is completed.

President Stan Howe reports that some stones remain for purchase. Price is \$100 which entitles the person buying to a life membership in the Society. Those who are already participating in some way find it an exciting project and rewarding as one sees the progress towards a handsome building which holds much history of early Bethel.

Buying a stone, or even a membership, or notepaper (obtained from Mrs. Louise Annis) is a unique way of observing Christmas giving.

Memberships may be paid to Mrs. Raymond Buck, chairman of that committee. It is also possible to donate either full or partial cost of certain renovations, and the chairman of the Restoration Committee, Steve Wight, has a list of those, which he would be happy to discuss with any interested person, and approximate cost for such things as antique lamps, altar furnishings, floors, etc.

Meetings of the Society will resume in the spring.

## PLEASANT VALLEY BIBLE CHURCH

Many hardy souls attended Pleasant Valley Bible Church on Sunday, in all the cold and blowing snow. Elders Dale Covey and Stanley Jones assisted Pastor Bert Griffith with the service.

Dec. 10, the ladies monthly meeting will be at Elaine Hutchins at 7 p. m.

Rehearsals for the Christmas Program are on Saturday, Dec. 12, at 9 a. m., and Dec. 15, at 5:30 p. m., both at the church.

On Dec. 15, at 7 p. m., there is a quarterly business meeting, following the rehearsal.

Dec. 19, the Adult Fellowship and dinner party at the church, is planned.

Dec. 20, at 6 p. m. the Christmas program will be presented.

Coming in April of 1982, Billy Graham at the Portland Civic Center.

## ESTIMATED TAX INSTALLMENT FOR CORPORATIONS DUE SOON

Corporations operating on a calendar year basis and having an expected Federal tax liability of at least \$40 for 1981 are required to make a payment of 1981 estimated tax by Dec. 15, 1981, W. E. Dosello, District Director of the Internal Revenue Service in Maine has announced.

The amount due can be computed on Form 1120-W, a worksheet for computing corporation estimated tax. The form should not be filed with the IRS, but should be kept in the corporation's records.

When the payments are deposited in authorized commercial banks or Federal Reserve Banks, they must be accompanied by the Federal Tax Deposit Form 503, Mr. Dosello adds.

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# ADULT ED. SPONSORED AEROBIC DANCE CLASSES TO BEGIN JAN. 4

The S.A.D. 44 Adult & Community Education program will sponsor Aerobic Dance classes, set to begin during the week of Jan. 4, 1982, to be taught by Susan Farrar of Bethel. In response to popular demand the dance classes will begin immediately following the Christmas holiday, rather than waiting for the start of the second term later in the month.

Those interested in enrolling in Aerobics will have the choice of three class times. These will be Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30-9:30; Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6-7; or Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 2:45-3:45. The Tuesday and Thursday classes will be held at the Children's Dance Theater on Main Street in Bethel, and the Monday and Wednesday classes will be held at Telstar Regional High School in Bethel. The course will run for eight weeks.

To register for Aerobic classes, phone the Adult & Community Education office, 824-2136, before Dec. 24. After this date, phone Mrs. Farrar at 824-2030. These classes are being run on a self-sustaining basis, and therefore are open to high school students as well as adults, and will carry a registration fee greater than the usual Adult and Community Education classes.

## GOULD HONOR ROLL FOR FALL TERM ANNOUNCED

Headmaster Donald W. Fudge has announced the following honor roll for the fall term at Gould Academy.

**Seniors:** High Honors—Jeanette Mayo, San Antonio, Tex. Honors—David Britten, Skowhegan; Christopher Carlson, Falmouth, Mass.; Louis Domenach, Corenc, France; Ian Hamilton, South Paris; Eleanor Heath, Tenants Harbor; Shirley Palmer, Tenants Harbor; Michael Penney, Hamden, Conn.; Raymond Starr, Bethel; Jon Stucki, Waterville.

**Juniors:** High Honors—Avery Bevin, Shelburne, N. H. Honors—Christi Coyle, Westport, Conn.; Kathy Gambier, Rome, N. Y.; Todd Getchell, Fairfield; Daniel Hodges, Oak Brook, Ill.; Hilda Kurtz, Paris Hill.

**Sophomores:** High Honors—Patrick Childs, Rumford; Scott Parks, Saco. Honors—Vikid Baron, Los Angeles, Calif.; Karl Barth, Bethel; Elizabeth Perry, Medomak; Joshua Smith, Kennebunkport; Michael Traad, Miami, Fla.

**Freshmen:** High Honors—Carolyn Atwood, Costigan; James Feehey, Bethel; Martin Grohman, Dixfield. Honors—Bert Field, Stowe, Mass.; Sarah Putnam, Bethel; Kimberly Robbins, Estado Falcon, Venezuela; Samantha Welsh, Newcastle.

## TELSTAR MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS VISIT MEXICO

The Telstar Middle School girls' basketball team traveled to Mexico and brought home one win out of two exciting games. The J.V.'s won their first game, 20-18. High scorers were Linda Learned with 14 points and Susan Isham with four points. Good defensive plays were made by Tracy Kimball, Sarah Chapman and Stephanie Hanscom. The J.V.'s next game will be at home Dec. 21 with Mexico.

The second game of the night was a close call for the Middle School varsity with a 26-18 score. Vickie Dyer led with eight points. Telstar's defensive players, Dee Cox, Anita Kimball and Penny York allowed only six points during the entire second half with a good tight zone.

Next week's schedule is full: Dec. 14, home with Wilton; Dec. 15, away with Fryeburg; Dec. 17, away with Mt. Blue.

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# The Week in Washington

by Sen. George J. Mitchell

**Restoring Equity to the Tax Law**  
When Congress enacted the tax out legislation last summer, it did so with the stated hope that its benefits would be equitably distributed and that its passage would lead to the recovery of the economy.

Unfortunately, neither of those two goals is likely to occur in the near future. It is clear that the tax law favors the minority of Americans with high incomes over the vast majority of working men and women. It is also clear, given the urgent need to reduce the federal deficit, that the billions of dollars in tax relief granted to the oil industry should be rescinded.

Throughout the tax debate in Congress, I worked for changes in the legislation that would have made government policy more equitable and would have resulted in a more reasonable budget policy.

Several steps should be taken promptly, the first of which should be to acknowledge our earlier mistakes and to correct them.

Last week, I introduced two bills in the Senate that would correct what I see as two serious mistakes in the tax law. The first bill would redirect the individual income tax cut to middle income taxpayers, who now bear a disproportionate share of the tax burden.

Throughout the tax debate, many members of Congress were convinced that the across-the-board tax cut was a fair tax cut. But when the offsetting effects of inflation and social security tax increases are taken into account, it becomes clear that low-income and middle-income tax payers are shouldering the greatest share of the tax burden, while those earning over \$50,000 a year reap most of the benefits of the tax cut.

For example, the effects of inflation and increases in social security taxes outweigh the modest tax cut for those families earning between \$5,000 and \$20,000, meaning that they will end up with higher taxes next year.

Those earning between \$20,000 to \$50,000 a year pay 52% of total individual and social security taxes, but receive only 42% of the net tax cut. In contrast, those making over \$50,000 will receive 62% of the tax cut, even though they pay only 28% of total taxes.

This is clearly unfair. It does not evenly distribute tax relief. Its end result is to redistribute income toward the wealthy.

The legislation I introduced is identical to legislation I cosponsored both in the Senate Finance Committee and on the Senate floor during debate on the tax bill. It will result in a far more equitable tax cut.

The second bill I have introduced would eliminate the \$11.6 billion in tax relief for the oil industry, which was included in the tax cut bill. Although the \$11.6 billion is considerably less than the \$16 billion in tax relief approved by the House (the final figure is a result of a compromise between the House and the Senate) the total is clearly a needless giveaway to the oil industry that the country can ill afford.

I opposed special tax breaks for the oil industry at every stage of the tax writing process. The Administration's free-market theory in supporting the tax breaks was intended to encourage new oil drilling activity — activity which was already spurred in record proportions by the early decontrol

## West Greenwood

— Carolyn M. Colby, Corres. —

Leah and Joan Deegan went to the Woolen Mill in Oxford, Saturday.

Mona Lowe and Jane Rolfe were in Lewiston Saturday.

Sunday Roy Cummings celebrated his birthday with cake and ice cream at Maude Harrington's with Ray, Janice, Tom, Patrick and Maude.

## Songo Pond

— Mrs. Ralph Kimball, Corres. —

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Hunter of Unity spent the day Saturday with his aunt, Mrs. Ralph Kimball.

Mrs. Dorothy Kilgore of Harrison was a caller Monday morning of her brother and wife, Jack and Eleanor Parsons. The Parsons were in Norway Monday afternoon for her medical appointment.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Grenier entertained at supper Monday evening their granddaughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Smith in honor of Denise's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kimball were in Rumford Monday afternoon for his medical check-up.

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## TELSTAR REBELS EDGED 38-37 BY BUCKFIELD IN TUESDAY HOOP ACTION

Visiting Buckfield rallied in the fourth quarter Tuesday night for a 38-37 basketball triumph over Telstar.

The Bucks thus picked up their first victory in three outings. Telstar, playing under just-assigned Coach Jim Lunney, fell to 0-2.

The Rebels led 24-16 at halftime and 30-24 after three quarters. The margin was back up to eight points with just five minutes left to play, but Telstar missed its opportunity to sew up the game by missing the front end of one-and-one free throw situations.

Buckfield closed the gap, and when Steve Henderson scored off an offensive rebound with 36 seconds left, the Bucks had their 38-37 lead. Telstar missed a couple of chances to regain the lead.

Dan Micron with 14 points, and Clark Bell with 10 paced the Buckfield offense. Rocky Myers knocked down 17 points to lead all scorers for Telstar.

Telstar plays Friday at Sacopec Valley. Buckfield won the junior varsity contest, 36-23.

of oil. That early decontrol of oil provided the oil industry with as much as \$7.6 billion in unexpected revenues this year.

So, clearly, the special tax breaks the oil industry won last summer are not necessary, especially at a time when cuts are being made in the school lunch program, medicare, Medicaid and other social programs.

Record high interest rates, surging unemployment and declining economic output have ended the high expectations for the economy generated by the Administration earlier this year. There is nothing wrong with admitting that these policies were wrong, and taking the steps necessary to remedy those errors.

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## Northwest Bethel

— Clarice Gibson, Corres. —

Yesterday was a good day to stay home. We had swirling snows and winds for the whole day. The day was dark and a good day to write those cards. (so many Xmas is the only time of year I hear from them). Thursday I picked up Aunt Sarah in Albany and we went shopping. I like Thursday to go shopping as many people I know are also shopping. How nice to meet people one has known for years. Friday Frankie left Theresa at supper time and she spent the night with us until about supper time Saturday. Saturday Barbara and Jacob Immonen, West Paris, dropped in. Then Saturday, Frank and I went to the company Christmas party at Country Way, South Paris. Oh yes, Wednesday my nephew and family, Ben Tucker III, Oxford, came for supper and evening. Wednesday was a very rainy day but didn't freeze so driving wasn't that bad.

Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hannan and girls went cross-country skiing.

Dony and Christine Bachelder visited her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith, Saturday evening and Sunday, Doug and Dedi Smith and Tony Heibert were dinner guests in observance of Dedi's birthday, the 7th.

Friday, Evelyn Hilborn had for a roast beef dinner, Louvie Coffin, West Paris; Frances Farnum, Kay McAllister, Bryant Pond and Bertha Flanders, Locke Mills. The ladies brought some lovely baked goods and while there Evelyn put in a call to Toronto, Can., so they could all talk with their friend, Ellen.

Alberta Angevine had dinner with her sister, Betty Blake one day and Saturday, Alberta, Betty Blake, Mary Angevine and Doris Frazer took in the church Christmas sales. In the evening Ernest and Alberta went to the Universalist Church, Norway, to their annual Christmas sale and supper.

Sylvia Benson went Christmas shopping with her daughter Sharon and granddaughters Anita and Chantel Kimball. They went to Lewiston and when they got back to Kimball's it was snowing so Sylvia came along home.

Leslie and Myrtle Lapham had

Friday afternoon Elsie Davis dropped in. Saturday afternoon Jess and Myra Doyen and Monday morning Keith Ring came with goodies.

Sue Angevine and Cheryl Angevine went Christmas shopping and dinner the 7th which was Sue's birthday. Dick took Sue, Timmy and Kristy for supper Saturday night.

We have been having a crane by the house all last week. In fact when we left the house about 4 p. m. Saturday he was standing on the nearest bank. Haven't seen him since the snows so hope he decided to fly south when they started. Although I guess Boston area got a lot more than we did.

**The Unadorned Christmas Tree**  
The trees were lit with all man could invent  
Of lights and tinsel and  
ornament;  
While on this Christmas Eve there stood  
An unadorned spruce tree within a wood.

Her sighs were broken only by the sound,  
Her needle tears made on a frozen ground;  
Then suddenly the snow began to fall—  
A miracle of beauty over all.

The tree felt gentle fingers in her hair  
And knew the hand of God was weaving there  
For her alone—a luminous design;  
The Star of Bethlehem came down to shine.

Within her topmost bough and from the wood  
The animals came and silently stood  
Beneath the transformed tree—  
They seemed to know  
Christ rested in a stable long ago.  
So quickly Christmas passed and  
The city trees were stripped of tinsel bright;

They lay on walks in winter's icy blast  
Remembering the Christmas that was past.  
The "unadorned" spruce tree stood in the dawn  
With all her Christmas decorations on;

She placed her feet in the living sod  
And looked into the smiling face of God.  
Oh strip me, Christ Child, of my tinsel bright—  
Hypocrisy and artificial light—  
Adorn me with the love that comes from Thee—  
The ornaments of immortality.

Betty Mina.



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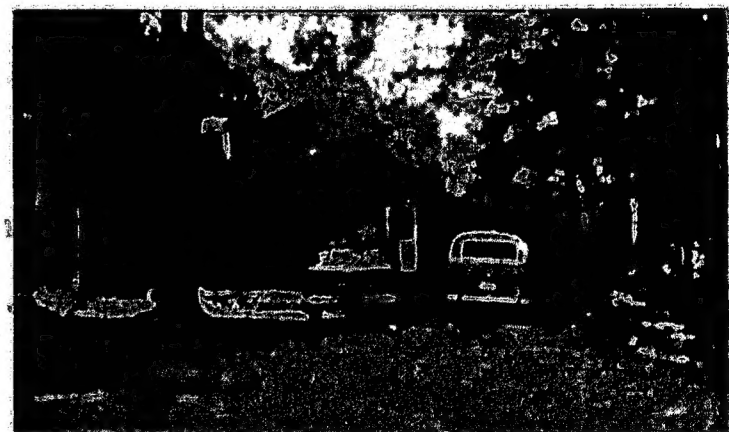
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## SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

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Monday: Fish in batter, mashed potato, beans, coleslaw, bread and butter, milk.

Tuesday: Spaghetti and meat sauce, green beans, peaches, hot roll and butter, milk.

Wednesday: Hot dog in home made bun, cheese slice, Waldorf salad, pineapple, milk.

Thursday: Hamburg gravy on rice or biscuit, carrots and peas, fruit, biscuits and butter, milk.

Friday: Roast turkey and gravy, mashed potato, corn, cake, mixed bread and butter, milk.

## North Waterford

Mrs. Jo Sanderson, Cor.

Sunday visitors at Laurence Herick's were Larry Jr. and family, Shan, Viola and Mark McAllister and friend, Merritt Richardson, and their daughter, Roxanne and family and Beverly Nichols, and daughters.

Clyde Stanton and Jo Sanderson were in Lewiston Tuesday, shopping, and they called on a friend, Byron Adams.

Bert Rugg was in Norway visiting friends and relatives a few days last week.

The Friendly Senior Citizens met Dec. 2 at Punkin Valley for their Christmas party and dinner. There were 63 members and several guests present.

The dinner was superb as usual and the dining area was decorated with white lights and branches. It was very effective.

After dinner the meeting was held and the same officers elected to hold their office again this year. They are: President, Grace Nelson; Vice President, Lill Herrick; Secretary, Pam DeTours; Treasurer, Theresa Proctor; Tour Guide, Gene Mallett, the best there is; Club reporter, Jo Sanderson; Sunshine committee, Eva Barker and Inez Barker; Hospitality, Helen Grover; Programs, Violet Dougherty; Nominating Committee, Edith Holt, Betty Witham and Edith McAllister.

The next meeting will be January 6 with a pot luck dinner at 11:30 at the Church vestry, Bridgton girls as hostesses. Bring a baby picture of yourself and see how many can identify each one.

It was voted to pay the church \$150 for use of vestry for meetings. Gene Mallett was presented \$25 in appreciation for the grand job he did setting up the trips during the summer.

## OXFORD POMONA GRANGE

Oxford Pomona Grange entertained the first of the three point meetings at Harrison, Dec. 1. The three Pomona's participating were White Mt., Conway, Cumberland, Oxford and Oxford, with Oxford serving the supper, Cumberland-Oxford filled the chairs, and White Mountain the program.

Because of the bad night Oxford Pomona had a poor turnout which was discouraging for the Oxford Master. Let's look for a better night in January.

The meeting was turned over to the visiting Master Charles Locks. Sister Mary French of White Mt. Grange acted as pianist for the evening.

The program consisted of music by all, a duet by George and Robert French with encore, a solo by Phyllis French with encore, Mary French also favored the group with a solo. There were some readings, one of them being Coconut and the monkey. Many jokes were enjoyed by all. These were told by various ones, some good and some otherwise according to the Secretary's minutes.

Deputy Erlend Wentzell called attention to the New England Conference meeting coming up later.

The next meeting of the three point nature will be held at Conway with Oxford filling the chairs and Cumberland-Oxford putting on the program, in January.

The last of the meetings will be at Fryeburg with White Mt. holding the chairs and Oxford furnishing the program, in May.

## VOICES RECEIVE ATHLETIC GRANT FOR BLIND YOUTH

Arthur Copeland, president of the U. S. Association for Blind Athletes, has announced that VOICES in Bethel, Maine, has been awarded the American Legion Grant by the U. S. Association for Blind Athletes National Board of Directors. Grant monies will be utilized to implement innovative State-wide Physical Fitness Activity Programs as productive leisure time activities for blind youth aged 12-18 years of age. VOICES will implement the Grant in affiliation with the Maine Department of Educational and Cultural Services.

"The USABA is pleased to be serving as a catalyst in developing opportunities for visually impaired persons to actively participate, as well as compete, in sports events," said President Copeland.

VOICES Director, Connie Hindman, states that "because of USA BA financial support in this project, VOICES has opened new doors for blind youth which were never before possible. The need for innovative services in Maine has never been greater."

"VOICES planned Physical Fitness Programs are innovative and viable on a State-wide basis," said President Copeland. An estimated 100 blind students are eligible to compete. Interested youth will be encouraged to compose and submit a preliminary essay about their personal physical fitness goals. Entries will be accepted in all media utilized by the print handicapped, including braille, large print, tape and audio. Winners will receive training equipment for personal development prior to State-wide competition.

Stationary indoor exercise bicycles will be utilized to help develop physical fitness, coordination and balance during the winter months. After a training period, "graduates" will be awarded tandem bicycles for outdoor exercise.

Exercise bicycles will be re-conditioned and issued to new participants. Annual group activities will include competitive events, socialization with other young athletes and presentation of awards.

All participating athletes will be medically screened and approved for the physical fitness activity program. Sighted parents and community volunteers will assist as tandem drivers and in program supervision.

Participating blind athletes will receive a taped monthly newsletter to establish communications between athletes, to stimulate competitiveness and sportsmanship, to encourage continuing participation, and to develop a sense of pride in self-achievement.

"VOICES is Where Sound Shapes a Future After Vision Fails," concluded VOICES Director. VOICES may be contacted at P. O. Box 837, Bethel, Maine 04217.

## South Woodstock

Olivia Davis, Cor.

Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Buck and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Buck, Florida, are with Mrs. Vera Buck for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brooks held their annual Thanksgiving party at their farm home on Curtis Hill with a good attendance on Sunday, Nov. 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tucci called on me Tuesday. They have been at their home on North Pond for a few days. Joe Tucci was able to come up from Virginia for a few days during the holidays.

The rain came as promised Tuesday night and Wednesday. It froze on the car at first but although my thermometer said 28° it isn't icy out yet as I am writing the news.

The Willing Workers Christmas Party will be held with Miriam Morgan at 7:30 on Dec. 20. So Secret Sisters be prepared for your sister's gift. Each one bring an exchange gift also for tree. Numbers are drawn for those.

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## WEST BETHEL Children's Center

Winter is here and the children love playing in the snow.

Lots of fun things have been happening at the Center this week. On Monday and Tuesday the children made and decorated dough ornaments for their Christmas tree. They also helped to make sugar cookies for the parent group meeting on Tuesday evening.

Yesterday the children visited the Laban farm in Northwest Bethel to see the sheep and today Karen Paul is bringing in her spinning wheel to spin wool with the children.

The parent group did very well on its Craft and Bake Sale at the Bethel Savings Bank last Friday. Many thanks to all of you in the community who purchased items. This is a busy time of the year here at the Center. Various Christmas activities are being planned for the next two weeks, culminating with a visit from a special North Pole friend on Dec. 23.

## MISS LARSON LISTED IN COLLEGE "WHO'S WHO"

Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" will carry the names of 18 students from St. Paul Bible College, Bible College, Minn., who have been selected as being among the country's most outstanding campus leaders.

One of those honored is Lori Larson, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. David Larson of Bethel, Maine.

Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and future potential.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,000 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934.

## HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION SITES IN BETHEL AREA LISTED

Following is a list of application sites for the Home Energy Assistance Program in the local area:

Andover, Town Office, Tuesday, 1-4 p. m. For home appointments call Gay Tibbitts, 368-0011 or Eva Taylor, 597-2231 (WOCC).

Bethel, Town Office, Thursday, 1:30-4:30 p. m.; Bryant Pond, Town Hall, Tuesday, 1:30-4:30 p. m.; Upton, Library, third Wednesday, 12-2:30 p. m. For home appointments call Lorraine Hall, 836-3700, Verna Swan, Bryant Pond 38 ring 3 (WOCC).

West Paris, W. Paris/Bethel Savings Bank, Tuesday, 9-12 p. m.; Waterford, Town Office, Wednesday, 1-3 p. m.; Summer/Hartford, Elementary School / Teachers' Room, Tuesday, 1:30-3:30 p. m. For home appointments call 743-7716.

Stoneham, Fire Hall, Wednesday, 2-5 p. m.; Center Lovell, Selectmen's Office, Monday, 9-12 p. m. For home appointments call Dorothy Bell 925-1643, Donald Miller 625-4756 (WOCC).

Home appointments are available for the homebound elderly and handicapped. Please call the Outreach worker in your area for a home appointment or 743-7716.

Evening and week end hours are available at Oxford County Community Services, 35 Market Square, South Paris, 743-7716; third Wednesday of each month, 5:30-8 p. m.; third Saturday of each month, 9:30 a. m.-12.

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## COUNTY BEEF & SHEEP 4-H CLUBS TO ORGANIZE

The organizational meeting for the Oxford County Beef and Sheep 4-H Clubs will be held Friday, Dec. 18, at the Hebron Nikes 4-H Building, behind Saunderson's Store in Hebron. A pot luck supper will be followed by a business meeting. Children 6-19 interested in raising sheep or beef and their parents are invited. Bring a hot dish or salad. For more information, call the Oxford County Extension Office, 743-6329.

## East Stoneham

Gladys Kilgore, Cor.

Mrs. Gertrude Yemma and Della Ricker went to the Conway Shopping Center, Tuesday.

Mrs. Ethel Files went to a doctor one day as she had an infection in her finger.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanwood Nelson went to Norway shopping Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Nelson and daughter, of North Lovell, were supper guests Thursday night of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Nelson.

Sixty-four senior citizens of the Senior Citizens Club of North Waterford went to "Punkin Valley" for their Christmas dinner Wednesday. After the meeting there was an exchange of gifts. The officers elected were the same as last year. A most enjoyable day was enjoyed.

The Daughters of Veterans met at the home of Helen Grover Wednesday night. A supper was served before the meeting.

## Magalloway & WILSON'S MILLS

Alice Harvey, Cor.

Wayne Littlehale returned to Guilford, Miss., where he is stationed, after spending two weeks with his parents, Larry and Phyllis Littlehale.

Beverly Cameron, Carlene Hinkley and Elva Jordan attended a class at the Registration Office in Mexico, on Tuesday.

The Wednesday Ladies met at the Hall and plans for their Christmas party were made.

Several people from this area are enjoying the Senior Citizens dinners at Errol Restaurant each Wednesday.

Madge Hart was in a Boston hospital for a check up on Tuesday.

Beverly Cameron and Alice Harvey were Christmas shopping on Tuesday in Berlin.

Phyllis Parsons spent a week with her daughter, Kim, and family in Exeter, N. H.

A surprise blizzard hit the area on Sunday leaving about 6-8 inches of snow. The snowplow operator and helper were very busy.

Mrs. Annie Labbe spent the week end at the Glover Farm.

## WEST BETHEL UNION CHURCH

West Bethel Union Church will have as guest preacher Sunday, Dale Thurston of Bethel. Rev. Rust will be in Eliot, Me., for the 100th anniversary of the Congregational Church where he served as minister from 1969-1972.

There will be a special Christmas service at the church on Wednesday evening, Dec. 23. All are invited to attend.

The Sunday School will have a Christmas party and tree on Sunday, Dec. 20, at 1:30 at the home of Sheila and Arthur Head.

The Youth Group meets Thursday, Dec. 17. Following supper at The Only Place, they will return to the church for their Christmas party. Members are to meet at the church for transportation.

## N. E. CHRISTMAS CRAFTS MARKET AT PORTLAND EXPO SATURDAY, DEC. 12

On Saturday, Dec. 12, the Maine Arts and Crafts Marketing Group will present their first annual New England Christmas Crafts Market at the Portland Exposition Building in Portland. The hours will be from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m.

This one day market will be the greatest holiday craft event held in southern Maine. Over 150 craftspeople, representing all Maine counties, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts, will be there exhibiting, selling and demonstrating a wide variety of crafts. Weaving, glass, woodcarving, macrame, metal sculpture, pottery, folk painting, graphics and many other crafts ranging from traditional to contemporary, will be on sale. This will be a show for all ages to enjoy. Food and refreshments will be available. There will be ample parking space.

The Maine Arts and Crafts Marketing Group is a new and independent venture in the arts and crafts field. Their purpose is to present an open market for artists and craftspeople from the northeast states. Plans for future markets during 1982 are already in process.

The New England Christmas Crafts market will be a high spot during the holiday season for both craftspeople and the public. A portion of the Admission proceeds will be donated to the Salvation Army Christmas fund.

The following is a listing of craftspeople in the show from the Oxford County area:

Bryant Pond — Lucy Saunders, Papier Mache Puppets; Fay Corrin, Robin Wiczerza, Pottery. Bethel — Eric Paul, Screen Printing. Fryeburg — Mabel Eaton, Stained Glass. Hiram — Demi-Ann Peabody, Tole Painting.

## North East Lovell

Pauline Smith, Cor.

A real northeaster Sunday. A few winds Saturday night too (snow). Those that ski will rejoice.

No church for us; such a storm. Larry Fox had his boys, Troy and Raymond, over the week end.

Roy and Pauline Smith visited his sister and husband, Raymond and Meldore Charles, this week, also Roy's brother and wife, Dot and Kenneth Smith.

A good crowd at the Christmas sale, Saturday.

Dana Gregson is back home, after being away two months, working.

Iva Fox and Pauline Smith visited their mother in Andrews nursing home Friday. Later with Roy, had supper at their daughter Carolyn Knights' family in Oxford, celebrating Roy's birthday.

## CARD OF THANKS

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## East Bethel

Mrs. David Foster, Cor.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hastings took the Christmas tour of the Houses on Paris Hill Saturday.

Mrs. Chester Kimball, Mrs. Paul Kimball and Mrs. Andre Bernier were in Norway shopping one day last week.

Albert Foster went with Ronnie Smith of Bethel to Berlin, shopping, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Foster and David visited Mrs. David Foster Thursday.

Mrs. Richard Strains and Miss Linda Stearns of Rumford Corner; Mrs. Josephine Tyler, David Tyler and Chris Russell of Dixfield, visited Mrs. Foster Saturday.

David Tyler was in Bethel to take college entrance exams. While he was there Mrs. Tyler and Chris visited Mrs. Richard Cox and Mrs. Linda Westleigh.

Richard F. Tyler, Jr., son of Richard and Frances Tyler, East Bethel, has recently enlisted in the United States Navy's delayed entry program. Richard will leave June 21, 1982, for the Great Lakes Naval Training Center. When his basic training is completed he will go to Mississippi and be trained in a Construction Battalion. Richard is a member of the 1982 graduating class at Telstar Regional High School.

## West Bethel

Fannie Cummings, Cor.

One day last week Maxine Lovejoy and Cathryn Lovejoy took their sister-in-law, Lillian Lovejoy, to the city shopping for new clothes and holiday gifts.

Mrs. Fannie Cummings was at Sylvia Dunham's, Locke Mills, on Friday for a new permanent.

Saturday, Dorothy West and two children attended the rehearsal for the Christmas program Dec. 20 and were luncheon guests of Mrs. Cathryn Lovejoy.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Rolfe have been going to Togus to call on Ruby's brother, Charlie Day, who is in the Veterans Hospital.

There was a gathering at Cleveland Lovejoy's Saturday night, as it was his birthday. Some of the family braved the storm, and others phoned their regrets. Shane and Angela Lovejoy spent the night at their grandparents, following the party.

Folks on the Flat Road lost their electric power for 2 1/2 hours on Sunday. Due to the strong wind and the drifting — one could not measure the snowfall.

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When material is received after deadlines oftentimes neither time nor space is available for publication in that issue.

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In closing may we express our thanks to the vast majority of our contributors and advertisers for their promptness week after week.

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### V. A. PROPOSES GUIDELINES FOR IONIZING RADIATION HEALTH CARE

The Veterans Administration has announced proposed guidelines for its medical facilities by which they will provide the health care for certain veterans exposed to ionizing radiation as provided by legislation enacted Nov. 3, 1981.

The Veterans' Health Care, Training and Small Business Act of 1981, authorizes VA to provide specified health care to veterans, who, while serving on active military duty, were exposed to ionizing radiation from the detonation of a nuclear device. Included were those who participated in either the testing of such a device or the American occupation of Hiroshima or Nagasaki, Japan, between Sept. 11, 1945, and July 1, 1946.

The guidelines, which VA has furnished to its field facilities on an interim basis, will be published in the Federal Register and public comment will be invited.

VA directs its field facilities that: "Each veteran who participated in the testing of a nuclear device or who participated in the occupation of Hiroshima or Nagasaki, Japan, between Sept. 11, 1945 and July 1, 1946, and who requests VA medical care, will be provided a complete medical history, physical examination and appropriate diagnostic studies. "Where the findings reveal a condition requiring treatment, the responsible staff physician shall make a determination as to whether the condition resulted from a cause other than the veteran's exposure to ionizing radiation. Conditions other than cancer are usually considered to be due to causes other than exposure to ionizing radiation."

If, upon examination, a veteran is found to require care under this authority, verification of his exposure must be made, but this should not delay initiation of appropriate care.

Health care services may not be provided under this law for the care of conditions which are found to have resulted from a cause other than the specified exposure, the guidelines specify.

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## SOLAR FACTS

by Robert E. Lewis

### HEAT STORAGE

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If the metal chair is placed in the shade, out of the direct rays of the sun, it continues to stay warm for awhile but soon gives up its heat. The metal chair is, in effect, a reservoir accumulating the sun's radiation or warmth.

In a dwelling that uses a passive solar system for heating, a heat storage reservoir is a vital part of the system. Quite obviously the sun's heat is incoming only during the day. Heat must be stored from day to night and from sunny day to cloudy day. Various materials can be used to store the heat of the sun, but preference is given to those that are relatively inexpensive, have high heat-storage capacity and are good conductors. For these reasons, water or masonry (concrete, bricks, adobe, etc.) are often used for heat storage. In the language of solar energy these heat storage materials are said to have "thermal mass."

Thermal mass commonly takes the form of masonry floors or walls in a building. If water is used for a thermal-mass wall, it is usually placed in metal or fiberglass tanks or tubes. Regardless of what material is used, it must be positioned so that the sunlight coming through the south-facing glass wall will strike the thermal mass.

The basic concept of heat storage via thermal mass is the same in all passive solar energy systems, whether they use direct-gain, indirect-gain or isolated-gain methods. In each system, the thermal mass stores the sun's energy for release at a later time.

In direct-gain, masonry floor and/or walls usually serve as the thermal storage area. With indirect-gain systems, the thermal storage wall forms the south wall of the building and is covered with glass on the outside. In the isolated-gain system, where the sun's radiation is collected and stored away from the living area, water or rocks are commonly used as the storage medium. If water is used as the thermal mass, it is usually with indirect-gain.

Increasing the thickness of any thermal mass will allow it to store more heat, although it will also take longer for the mass to absorb its capacity. Conversely, the thicker the thermal mass, the longer it will take to cool. Because a foot-thick thermal mass actually slows the rate of heat transfer and make a system less efficient, optimum thicknesses for thermal mass walls have been calculated. Such calculations are based on the material used, location of the building and type of passive heating system being used.

This same system works in reverse for cooling. If you cool the mass off at night by opening windows it will serve as a heat sink during the day to cool the area.

Whether one chooses masonry or water for heat storage is a matter of preference, there is only a slight difference in the efficiency of the two.

For more information, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: Robert E. Lewis, (#12-A) P. O. Box 3680, Grand Central Station, New York, N. Y. 10017.

### "DAILY MAINE CAMPUS" HAS NEW EDITOR

Paul E. Fillmore of Washington, Me., a junior majoring in journalism, has been elected editor of the daily Maine Campus, the student newspaper at the University of Maine at Orono. Fillmore will take over the top post during the spring, 1982, semester. He is a recipient of a Maine Press Association scholarship for journalistic promise and has worked on the paper in a number of capacities, the most recent being as managing editor.

service-connected status or the inability of the veteran to defray the expenses of such care, VA facilities are instructed.

Veterans furnished outpatient care under this authority will be accorded priority ahead of non-service-connected veterans and equal to former prisoner of war who are receiving care for non-service-connected conditions.

Congress made it clear, the guidelines point out, that this law provides for health care only and that a determination that the veteran is eligible for such care does not constitute a basis for service-connection or in any way affect de-

## Walking With Jesus Christ

Credit cards—charge it plates—can sure get us into money troubles, not cold cash—for if we had it we wouldn't owe so much.

Being on the negative side of the ledger is like stacking up misdeeds in God's recording book. We're not talking credit cards here, but our daily sins—our lies, deceptions, ugly thoughts—even violence coupled with all sorts of lawlessness. No, most of us are not really bad—but enough so as to keep us out of heaven. We are all sinners, law breakers—some against the State of Maine—oh, you never went over the speed limit—I went through a stop sign—I broke the law! The Bible says we must obey the law of the land. However, most of us get away with it and there's no penalty to pay.

But, there's no officer to see us—there is One who did and we find another violation written up and charged to our account. Yes, all our misdeeds are recorded and some day we'll face a Holy God we'll hear those faithful words—"I never knew you."

However there's rescue! We may have passed it up till now—but God provides a way, you see He loves us and knows all of our

problems—He knows how we're tempted—we are weak. He knows all this because as the Bible states He came to live among us—Jesus Christ, born of a virgin—the Christmas story—He too was tempted—yet lived a sinless life. Knowing these things He went to the Cross where He bore all our sins—suffered for us that we might live and have our names written in the book of life—And, we're accepted as faithful heirs—"if" we're willing and really mean it—to ask God to forgive us our sins and accept Him as Lord, "Come let us reason together" says the Lord. Though your sins are scarlet, they shall be as white as snow! Tho they be as red as crimson, they shall be as wool." Isaiah 1:18. "they will walk with me (Jesus Christ) in white, for they are worthy—I will never erase his name from the 'book of life', but will acknowledge his name before my Father and his Holy angels."

No hokie pokie here! It's real—our lives are changed—we're different—as a letter recently received from a lady who waited so long and finally made the decision—through Jesus Christ to trust God as her Lord. She says:—"how, I just feel so good."

It's your decision too. I made mine—

Fred Werner

## Letters to the Editor

To: My neighbors on the Flat Road in West Bethel

In reference to my alleged alcohol and drug problems. Those of you that are concerned about my many problems, and have taken it upon yourselves to make my business yours, show no signs of tiring. Since I feel I do have some say in this matter, I'm going to help you tell a true story. Read on and I promise that I can tell a story without lies, and you can still have something interesting to talk about.

First of all, I would like you all to know that I don't have a drug or alcohol problem. It's probably good that I don't, because after hearing all the endless lies, and having people go so far as warning my wife that I might harm or kill her and my son, I don't think I could control my anger.

I signed into the detoxification center in October of 1979. After I was released, I was hoping that my life would settle down. Guess what? You guessed it. If I had been living any place else, things most likely would have turned out differently. Anyway, for two years, I was denied employment, harassed, and almost successfully driven out of town, I'm still labeled "Animal."

There were people who were willing to give me a break, by the way, made it possible for me to support my family like a normal human being. Probably no one has ever thought of the effect this has had on my wife and innocent son. I won't forget the people that have helped me, and I can assure you that you won't be harassed in any way if I'm within jumping distance. Animals are noted for their loyalty, right? I'm not saying I don't have defects, because I have many.

Now, I would like to shed some light on the reports of my "staggering," and "looking disoriented." I was drunk for the better part of sixteen years. This alone can alter your balance frightfully. During this time, I buried my first son, which almost did me in. I have been through eighty some women, some even high class, and two divorces. For the first time in 32 years, I am trying to deal with things I was never aware of, for instance, reality and responsibility. As some of you know, I'm not doing so well at this, but if I live long enough, I am confident that I will catch on.

To add to this, my head has been split open so many times, that the only thing holding it together is scar tissue. Due to getting older, my body aches quite often, the result of numerous broken bones. Both my knees are apt to flop in and out of joint without warning, usually on Main Street, in broad daylight. My stomach burns constantly, sometimes to the point where my eyes water and appear "funny". I fall in and out of love five or six times daily. I have two severely ingrown toenails, and one of the worst cases of hemorrhoids this side of hell. Now I ask you, if I stagger and appear disoriented every now and then, wouldn't you say it might be caused from simply waking up in the morning?

I think it is only fair of me to tell you, I'm not going to take this, and feel I deserve it, any more. Over two years of this for a few moments is plenty. I'll thank you to stop harassing myself and my family. They, at least, are human. "Animal"

### PARAPLEGIC UMO STUDENT JUST "INCONVENIENCED"

Jim Greenleaf of Old Town is equally at home on the stage, cooking a gourmet meal or hang-gliding from a 400-foot cliff. Unusual? Not particularly—unless, like Jim Greenleaf, you are a paraplegic.

But for Jim Greenleaf these accomplishments are not unusual because he is adamant about the fact that he's not disabled—just inconvenienced. "I can do anything that anyone else can, except walk," says the 33-year-old University of Maine at Orono sophomore, "although some things may take me a little longer."

Jim has been paralyzed from the chest down since an automobile accident on route nine at Wesley Corner back in 1973. He was 24, a U. S. Army veteran with 11 months of combat duty with the 1973 Airborne Division in Vietnam and a sheet metal worker plying his trade out of Atlanta, Ga., when he returned to Maine on vacation. His trip up the so-called Airline Road ended when a front tire on his auto blew out and the vehicle careened into a bridge abutment.

For the next five months Jim was hospitalized at the Eastern Maine Medical Center and during that time he had a great deal of time to ponder his predicament. "I wondered about not being a fully productive man and asked myself 'where do I go from here,'" Jim remembers.

From there Jim went quite a few places. Although paralyzed from the chest down, he did retain the use of both hands. He worked in Washington, D. C., with the President's Committee on the Handicapped. He served with the National Paraplegic Foundation, the Paralyzed Veterans of America and did accessibility studies for Bangor's Urban Renewal Program. In 1976 he received his diploma from Bangor High School and in 1977 he enrolled in the University of Maine at Orono, taking a number of art courses. After one year he transferred to the School of Human Development.

Last year Jim decided he needed a change in scenery and weather and traveled to California where he enrolled at the University of California at San Diego, taking several art courses and a photography course.

The pace of living there, however, was a bit fast for "an old man like me," says Jim and he decided to return to Maine. But not before he tried his own version of the faster living pace. Jim did a little solo hang-gliding while enrolled at San Diego, taking off from the top of a 400-foot cliff and soaring over the countryside.

"Part-way through the glide my legs came out of the straps and I got pretty scared," he says. He admits, though, that it was a very exhilarating experience.

Jim acknowledges there are periods of depression still and experiences periodic spasm problems with his legs, problems that could be minimized by drugs but which he prefers not to use. Then there's always the accessibility and bathroom facilities hassles. But he's determined not to become vegetative.

In fact, most people would be hard-pressed to keep up with the accomplishments of the Old Town native. For instance, he is a gourmet cook, an excellent carpenter, a fisherman, an actor of sorts and he repairs and renovates antique autos as a hobby. He drives his own car and is totally independent.

That independence is finding an expression in his latest endeavor—the building of a new home in Mil-

## CHURCH NEWS

**Bethel United Methodist Church**  
Rev. Millett Cummings, Pastor  
Tel. 824-2010 or 743-2213  
Organist, Mrs. Susan Gilles  
Administrative Board Chairman,  
Richard L. Davis  
Sunday School Superintendent,  
Norman Clanton

Sunday:  
9:15 a. m. Sunday School.  
10:30 a. m. Worship Service.  
Tuesday: 9:30 a. m. Bible Study at the church.  
Thursday: 7 p. m. Choir rehearsal at the parsonage.  
UMW—first Thursday of each month.

Anyone needing prayers of church members or knowing of someone in need please call Mrs. Burton Abbott, Mrs. Wallace Saunders or Mrs. Ronald Stevens.

**West Parish Congregational United Church of Christ**  
Church St., Bethel  
Rev. Brendon Bass  
Rev. Jean Bass  
Co-Pastors  
Miss Mary Valentine, Minister of Music

Sunday:  
9:15 a. m. Sunday School for Pre-School through Adults.  
Worship Service, 10:30 a. m.  
First and third Sunday, 7-8:30 p. m. Confirmation Class for 9th through 12th grades.  
Wednesday, 5:30-7:00 p. m. Youth Fellowship, grades 6-12.  
Thursday, 7:30-9:00 p. m. Choir rehearsal.

**Our Lady of the Snows**  
Rt. 26 Bethel  
Rev. Donald R. Proulx  
Saturday, 4:30, Anticipated Mass.

**Bethel Gospel Center of Christian & Missionary Alliance**  
D. N. Larson, Pastor

Sunday:  
Sunday School, 9 a. m., three year olds through adults.  
Babysitting for all children under five years during Church.  
Morning Worship, 10 a. m.  
Evening Service, 6 p. m.  
Monday: Men's Bible Studies, 7 p. m.  
Ladies' Bible Study, Tuesdays, 9:30 a. m., for location call: 824-2889, Babysitting.  
Wednesday, 7 p. m.: Prayer and Bible Study.

**Bethel Church of the Nazarene**  
Church Street  
Rev. Barry Beverage

Sunday:  
Sunday School (for all ages including adults), 9:30 a. m.  
Morning Worship, 10:30 a. m.  
Evening Worship, 6 p. m.  
Wednesday: Prayer Meeting, 7 p. m.  
Youth Meeting, 7 p. m.  
For transportation or information to any service call 824-2872.

**West Bethel Union Church**  
Rev. Norman Rust, Minister  
Phone: Church 826-2925  
Home 583-4488

Parish Day Thursday  
Mrs. Nestia Littlefield, Organist  
Mrs. Rodney Kimball, Custodian  
Choir Rehearsal, 9 a. m., Sunday.

Morning worship, 9:30 a. m.  
Nursery provided for pre-school children.  
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.  
Chapel Aid, second Wednesday evening at 7:30.  
Supper Club, third Sunday, 6:00 p. m.  
Youth Fellowship, Thursdays, 5:30 p. m.

**Pleasant Valley Bible Church**  
B. R. Griffith, Pastor  
Linda Stowell,  
Pianist and Choir Director

Sunday:  
Sunday School, 9 a. m. Ages 3 through adult.  
Morning worship, 10 a. m. Babysitting for children through age 5.  
Tuesday: choir practice, 6 p. m.  
Prayer and Bible Study, 7 p. m.  
Thursday: Ladies Bible Study, 9:30 a. m. Babysitting provided.

**Locke Mills Union Church**  
Interim Pastor,  
Rev. Willard Bickett

Church Services, 9:00 a. m.  
Sunday School, 10:30 a. m.  
Ladies Circle meets every third Wednesday at 1:30 p. m.  
Youth Group, Thursday, 7 p. m.

fold. A builder is putting up the outside shell but Jim is going to finish the inside of the single story structure himself with perhaps a little help in putting up the sheet rock walls and the ceilings.

Before leaving for California he acted in the play "As Others See Us," a production sponsored by the University of Maine at Orono about the problems of the disabled.

This semester Jim is a special student taking nine credit hours. He arrived back from California too late to register as a full-time student but felt he needed to continue his educational pursuits without letup. "I'll take courses if I'm interested in a subject even if they don't count toward my degree," he notes.

Eventually Jim hopes to go to graduate school and then become

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**St. Barnabas Episcopal Church**  
Rumford, Maine  
A Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, The Rev. Jacqueline R. Merrill, 824-3169, 4:30 p. m. the second and fourth Sunday of the month at the West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel, Maine.

**Bryant Pond Baptist Church**  
Pastor: Linwood Hanson  
Sunday:  
9:15 a. m. Sunday School.  
10:30 a. m. Worship Service.  
6:00 p. m. Evening Service.

Tuesday—Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a. m.  
Wednesday, Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p. m.  
Thursday—Awana Clubs: K-Gr. 2, 2:30-4:00 p. m.; Gr. 3-Gr. 8, 6:00-8:00 p. m.

**Newry Community Church**  
Newry, Maine  
Rodney Hanson, Pastor  
Robert Duran, Organist  
Sunday Morning Worship, 9:00.  
Thursday, 7 p. m. Bible Study at Owen Wight's.

**Assembly of God**  
Upton  
Rev. Andy Torbett  
Sunday, 2 p. m., Worship Service.

Sunday School, 2 p. m., in Ladies' Aid Building, Teacher, Brenda Rasmussen.

Prayer meeting, 7 p. m., Wed. Ladies' Bible Study, 9:30 a. m. Tues., home of Yvonne Viens.

**Rumford Area Bible Speaks**  
Rumford Church  
Pastor Bob Colby  
Sunday: 10:00 a. m. Worship Service and Sunday School. 6:30 p. m. Youth Group.

Thursday: 10 a. m. God's Complete Women Study, Eleanor Brooks, Main St., Bethel.

Friday: 7:30 p. m. Service.  
Sunday: 8:00 p. m. WRUM-FM 90, "Telephone Time."

Monday-Thursday evenings, 6 p. m.: Videotape Bible School, 523 Prospect Ave., Rumford. Call 368-9373.

For information or counseling, call 364-4573.

**First Congregational Church**  
United Church of Christ  
Rev. Norman Rust, Interim Pastor  
Organist, Mrs. Linda Burnham  
Choir Director, Mrs. Lea Myrskala  
Sunday School Supt., Mrs. Trudy Akers

Sunday:  
11 a. m. Worship Service.  
11 a. m. Sunday School.  
Thursday: Junior evening, 6:30 p. m.; Senior Choir, 7:30 p. m.  
Ladies Aide—Every other Monday at noon, C. E. B.

**Calvary Congregational Church**  
Route 5  
Andover, Maine  
Pastor: Donald Grover  
Pianist: Mrs. Edna White  
Choir Director: Carol Stuart  
Sunday School Superintendent: Marjorie Stinson

Worship Service, 10:45.  
Sunday School, 9:30.  
Youth Group, 5:30.  
Prayer and Praise, Wednesdays at 7:30 at the church.

Choir rehearsal, Wednesdays at 6:30.

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In all Christian Science Churches, the Lesson-Sermon read from the book is the same. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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**Christian Science Society, Newway, 9 Stevens St., off Alpine St.**  
Sunday: Services and Sunday School at 10:30 a. m.  
Wednesday evening service at 7:30 p. m. includes testimonies of healing.

**OXFORD COUNTY UNITED PARISH**  
Albany Congregational Church  
Rev. B. F. Wentworth  
3 p. m. Worship Service, Oct. 25 through Dec. 20.

**East Stoneham Congregational Church**  
Jeffrey Hooker, Pastor  
9:00 a. m. Worship Service  
North Waterford Congregational Church  
Jeffrey Hooker, Pastor  
10:30 a. m. Worship Service.

**Bethel and Vicinity**  
Mrs. Hope Tibbitts and Miss Dorene Tibbitts are visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. Craig Ryerson and family, Auburn, N. Y.

News from Lyn Bristol, who moved to North Waterford to be nearer the University of Southern Maine, where she is studying music, is that she's enjoying school, getting along well, sends best wishes for the Living Nativity Pageant and happy holiday greetings to everyone.

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## SEN. WILLIAM COHEN

## From Washington

The great baseball player Satchel Paige made a thoughtful point about aging when he remarked, "How old would you be if you didn't know how old you was?"

His message—that "old age" is an unnecessary state of mind based largely on stereotypes—is especially relevant today. It was clearly stressed last week by some 3,500 Americans who convened in Washington specifically to discuss the needs of the elderly, and to determine how we as a nation can provide more opportunities for and best tap one of our most valuable resources.

The 1981 White House Conference on Aging may not result in major legislative changes, as did its predecessors in 1961 and 1971. From the recommendations made in 1961, for example, followed the 1965 passage of Medicare, the establishment of the Senate Special Committee on Aging, the amendment of Social Security to increase the minimum benefits and authorize early retirement at age 62, and the enactment of the Older Americans Act, which created the Administration on Aging.

The decade following the 1971 conference brought still more changes—the establishment of Supplemental Security Income, the enactment of the Employment Retirement Income Security Act, the formation of the House Select Committee on Aging and the move toward the end of mandatory retirement, beginning with the 1978 passage of Age Discrimination in Employment amendments.

This year's recommendations to President Reagan and Congress are almost certain to reflect nationwide concerns about income security—including Social Security, private pensions and the right to work—and long-term health care

issues. But one of the most remarkable aspects of the 1981 White House Conference on Aging may have been its theme, indicative of our society's changing views of the elderly.

As one conference official noted, "At the 1961 conference we looked upon the old as frail. We now know a great proportion do not fit this stereotype. There is a growing acknowledgment that the country must rethink the way it views its older population."

With a steadily increasing percentage of older Americans, we are presented with a challenge and a real opportunity to utilize their talents, wisdom and experience in a way that was unheard of just a few years ago. Just as recognition of youth has been a phenomenon of the past few decades, the wave of the future may be acknowledgment of the contributions of seniors.

The 19 delegates from Maine, representing state agencies and senior citizens' groups from Fort Kent to Kennebunk, brought to Washington not only their concerns about the needs of Maine's elderly, but some very encouraging accounts of how older Mainers are seeking out opportunities to share their energies through gainful employment or some form of voluntary service.

One particularly noteworthy program, The Retired Senior Volunteer Program, recently celebrated its 10th anniversary of matching people over 60 with public service organizations which badly need their help. Maine currently has 2,655 RSVP volunteers working on 2,836 assignments throughout the state.

The spirit of the RSVP's and other older volunteers is exemplified by Ben Nayson of Bangor, who at 94 is the oldest volunteer in the RSVP's Penobscot/Piscataquis County chapter. Nayson, who has provided transportation for volunteers and shown slide shows at nursing homes for the past 10 years, remarked recently in a newspaper interview, "If you want to get the most out of life, find something to do that helps others. I don't know of anything else that can give greater satisfaction."

If we are left with any one message from the 1981 White House Conference on Aging, it is that the country's 24 million people over age 65 represent a diverse, productive and very important part of our population. They have a right and a desire to fully participate and contribute to society—and we owe it to them to remove any barriers that prevent them from doing so.

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"The passes make great Christmas gifts. Each one purchased for this purpose can be sent to the recipient in time for Christmas along with a gift card identifying the giver," Hartman said.

Season passes are good at all State parks except Baxter Park which is administered by a separate Agency. Persons who wish to order passes for themselves or as gifts should send the names and addresses of the recipients, along with a check for \$15.00 for each pass ordered, payable to the Treasurer, State of Maine, to the Maine Bureau of Parks and Recreation, Station 19, Augusta, Maine 04333.

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## MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS' BASKETBALL VARSITY HAVE UNSUCCESSFUL FIRST WEEK

The boys' Telstar Middle School varsity basketball team started their season last week on an inauspicious note by losing first to Rumford, 64-16, and then to Jay, 55-20.

Mini Rebel scoring in the first game was led by Gary Roshto with eight, followed by Jim Cobb, Reggie Westleigh, Stacey Roberts and Charles Morton with two each.

In the second game Gary Roshto had six; Jim Cobb, five; Todd Porter, three; Charles Morton, Scott Haines and Troy Ryerson, with two each.

## MITCHELL NAMES WELCH AS TRI-COUNTY FIELD REP.

Maine Senator George J. Mitchell has announced the recent appointment of Janet Plourde Welch of Lewiston as his field representative for Androscoggin, Oxford and Franklin counties.

Welch will be available through Senator Mitchell's office on Lisbon Street, Lewiston, to assist individuals, organizations and municipalities with any problems they may have with the federal government. She will also hold meetings in the towns and cities of the three-county area.

"Jan is well qualified to serve as my representative," Mitchell said. "She has a great deal of experience in helping constituents out through government red tape, and with helping them to solve their problems by finding the appropriate federal agency to assist them."

Welch will be assisted in her duties by caseworker Joan Pederson of Turner.

A lifelong resident of Lewiston, Welch joined Senator Mitchell's staff in May 1980, as a caseworker in the Lewiston office. She previously served as a caseworker for former Maine Senator Edmund S. Muskie.

Welch, who speaks fluent French is a graduate of Lewiston High School and the Chandler School for Women in Boston. She is a member of the Altruista Club, a society of professional women. She and her husband, Mikard "Mim" Welch reside at 11 Victor Street with their two children.

## EARTH'S "WARM" PERIOD TO LAST FEW THOUSAND YEARS

The "warm" or interglacial period the earth is now experiencing may be coming to an end in the next few thousand years and the gradual cooling off period could lead eventually to a buildup of massive ice sheets in northern Canada that can spread over all of New England. University of Maine at Orono geologists, botanists and historians are studying this period in many different ways. One of the ways is to analyze fossil materials found in sediments on lake bottoms in Maine to provide a picture of climate changes through the changes in the surrounding vegetation. UMO is one of the few institutions in North America with scientists engaged in this aspect of climate research.

## NAVY NOW ACCEPTING NURSE APPLICATIONS FOR 1982 YEAR

The Navy is now accepting applications from Bachelor of Science (BSN) and Diploma Nurses for positions that will become available after Jan. 1, 1982.

According to Lt. Christine Abelein, (LT) Nurse Programs Manager for the New England area, there will be positions available at many Naval Regional Medical Centers within the United States.

"Because only a limited number of vacancies exist in 1982," Lt. Abelein said, "these positions are offered on a first come first served basis."

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## Computer Music at Gould Dec. 13

On Sunday, Dec. 13, Dr. Dexter G. Morrill will present a program of Computer Music as a special part of Gould Academy's Program in the Humanities and Sciences.

The program will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Gould Academy's William Bingham Auditorium and is free to the public, who are cordially invited to attend this most interesting and unusual musical program.

Dr. Morrill is currently a Professor of Music and Chairman of the Music Department at Colgate University in upstate New York. As Director of Colgate's Computer Music Studio, he has supervised the adaptation of music to the University's Digital Equipment Corporation PDP-10 computer. This fully interactive system can convert computed information to sound in a variety of mono, stereo and quadraphonic modes. Dr. Morrill has composed many programs of computer music covering the whole spectrum of music and has presented these programs at schools, universities and concert halls from Texas to Canada.

## STATE POLICE WARN OF THREE BIG WINTER THREATS

The Maine State Police alert motorists to the three big threats that the forthcoming winter driving season adds to normal driving hazards.

"Lowered visibility, insufficient traction and temperature changes can spell disaster for the motorist who forgets to guard against these seasonal dangers," said Col. Allan H. Weeks, chief of the Maine State Police.

As motorists must reacquaint themselves to adverse weather conditions, their vehicles must also undergo changes.

As for changes in driving habits Col. Weeks recommended motorists to "go slow on ice and snow," even though vehicles may have excellent brakes, good tires and tire chains are used. In addition, weather conditions may call for slower than normal speeds and increasingly greater distance between vehicles.

Concerning before-the-rush vehicle winterization maintenance, the state police chief recommended:

Engine tuneups — indispensable for dependable starts when the mercury plunges. More important, a sputtering, unresponsive engine makes vehicle control on snow covered or slick surfaces unnecessarily difficult, if not impossible.

Electrical system — at tuneup time, have the battery checked, the generator (or alternator) plus the wiring and distributor checked for breaks and cracks that can short out.

Lights—all must be working and must be kept clean.

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## Sunday River

— Jeannine Fleet, Corres. —

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dennis had Thanksgiving with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pire of Cousins Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Daye were shopping in North Conway.

Mrs. Mary Morin, Mrs. Jeannine Fleet, Mrs. Nancy Kimball and Laurie were in Lewiston as Nancy and Laurie had doctor appointments.

Tammy and Penny Fleet were in Rangeley to play basketball with Telstar girls, winning the game.

Got a phone call from Lucia Smith in Saucier, Miss., and it's real warm down there.

Sent in by Eva Yates:

A nice Monday but Old Man Winter snuck in and left us all a gift of more or less of that pretty white snow. I think it would be hard to tell just how much came, the wind blew so much. The chances are good for getting more before spring. The Go-Shoes hung on the hook and we kept the home fires burning altho lots of cars went up towards the skiway and I hope they all had a good time. I was glad to hear Merton Brown had been chosen as our town manager. I think when a town has three, four, five selectmen and they have to go out of town for a town manager, the town is in pretty poor shape and I feel Mr. Brown will do a good job—much better than a stranger. Just my opinion. Maybe the law says we should do different but so many of our laws today should be broken.

Let's see, we warmed up the Go-Shoes on December 1 and went to Rumford on business and shopping and we had dinner there. Kept the Go-Shoes on the hook til Friday then made a quick trip to Norway. Got back to Bethel late so ate out again. It's good to get the other fella's cooking now and then.

Darnita Yates made us a flying call one day.

Today's callers were Bonnie Hutchins and baby Adrienne and Laura Hutchins and baby Julia on their way home from a shopping trip to Gorham, N. H. They reported more snow up there—two feet of it—far too much.

I had a phone call from a hospital in Colorado tonight, where Tom Yates underwent open heart

## T.T.A.E.R.S. News

(Tri-Town Ambulance & Emergency Rescue Service)

Tri Town Auxiliary is organizing a secondary dispatch for the service. Any community member with a scanner or who likes to listen to a scanner can help. The purpose is to be ready with a back-up crew for the second vehicle on the day there are two ambulance calls at the same time. The Jan. 5 meeting will be used to organize this project. For more information, call Charlotte Beauchamp (674-2908) or Jane Chaudler (674-2963) or Cindy Bean (Bryant Pond 107-21.)

Workers are still needed to build on the rescue barn in Bryant Pond. Warren Emery has crews on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6:30 and Sunday afternoons at 1:00 o'clock. Tri Town needs the work done as quickly as possible, especially now that winter has arrived.

Have a very safe and happy holiday. If you need the ambulance call 1-480-482-7433.

(Note: Some telephone exchanges require the use of an I.D. number. If in doubt, please consult the telephone directory for instructions for your area.)

surgery last Friday. He is doing fine and made the call all by himself.

We hope our Elsie Sprague is gaining in the Stephens Memorial Hospital in Norway. You are missed.

I hear the call that Bear River Grange will meet this coming Saturday night at the home of Joe and Eva Yates, weather permitting. It will be preceded by a 6 p. m. pot luck supper, and there will be a Christmas party, bring your gift, marked for a lady or a gent. The place is small so you will have to rub elbows with one another—but you are welcome if your elbows are not too sensitive.

There is frost on the window pane and it's not Christmas yet—so I hope you have all followed my previous advice and kept your togs and mittens handy. All hands be careful—don't let the ice fly up and hit you and I know you are all busy with gift wrappings—your heads full of Christmas cooking ideas so—I'll see you next week. Happy Holiday.

## Greenwood City

— Mrs. Colista Morgan, Corres. —

The rain and wind like harvesters, visited us during November and gathered the leaves and piled them across the land, were absent today, the fourth of December.

The woods brooded in their nakedness. It was much warmer and I walked a short distance.

The ice which had formed on the pond opened to pools in a few places. The water at the mouth of Sanborn River was fiercely blue and dozed unrippled under the sun's golden cloak.

The mountains sat majestically against the sky. The nearest was Patch. With hunched shoulders it was resplendent in the sun.

The roads of yester' year, with sandy flanks and grassed-ridges bellies always held a strange fascination for those of us who liked to prow in summer and autumn. We usually took rutted trails, winding back to abandoned farms. Whatever the purpose in the past or in the present, there is something that attracts the hiker. These roads are curling, mysterious, ribbons; usually following stone walls to some extent.

We seemed to want to know always what was on or around the next bend. We'd ease along, squint around one bend only to see another in the distance. It would have been easy to keep on until dusk hauled its purple robe over the woods.

Today I stood in silence looking to the beauty of these mountains and thought them the greatest of all art galleries, this fascinating out of doors.

The icicles on the ledges had loosened and slid to the roadside. Was it December or March? The sun made the day a gala day; so long it had been hidden.

The little sounds were magnified and softened by the air. The

dripping beads of water and running brooks surely said March. I had been far enough and limped homeward where I did a few things about the yard.

Later as I looked from my window the evening star had burned a hole in the blue blanket of the sky. The one-eyed moon looked down and marked its trail on the ice of the pond.

Since I wrote the above things have changed. No question today. It is December.

I attended Delta Kappa Gamma in Harrison on Saturday with Lettie Brooks and Lillian Curtis.

Ann Holt took her mother to Portland on Saturday.

Carl and Lettie took us to Portland on Tuesday where Clyde had an appointment for tests at the Maine Medical Center. We also called on Bessie Roberts, a friend of many years.

Three sons of Doris Hayes were at her home on Saturday: Duane, of West Paris; Ardell, of Auburn; and Glenn, of Gray.

Fred Curtis, East Sumner, spent the day with Frank Curtis on Tuesday and helped him with his wood. Other callers were Walter Curtis, Jr., Trish Adams and son, Kieth, East Oxford; Lucy Bragg, West Sumner, and Kathy Curtis, Local; Ralph and Regina Leeper, Kingstown, R. I.



## ADULT & COMMUNITY EDUCATION LEARNING FAIR HELD DEC. 2

The S.A.D. 44 Adult and Community Education program held its end-of-term Learning Fair at Telstar Regional High School on Wednesday, Dec. 2, attended by enthusiastic participants in the Fall term classes and their families and friends. The evening began with a pot-luck supper in the Cafeteria at six, attended by over 150 people. The many exhibits and demonstrations offered by Adult and Community Education classes attracted an additional hundred spectators during the evening. Among the highlights of the Learning Fair were the construction of a 6-foot long strudel by the Foods Laboratory class from Andover, taught by Vicki Rackliffe and Merton Brown, demonstrations in Machine Embroidery, Cake Decorating, Rug Braiding, and First Aid. The micro-computers used in Adult and Community Education classes provided instruction and entertainment for younger family members, as did the video-taped program Metric-Man, which served as part of the Adult Learning Center exhibit. Displays of work accomplished were presented by the classes in Toymaking, Chair-sewing, Solar Projects, Woodworking, Blacksmithing, Welding, Sewing, Christmas Crafts, and Natural Crafts. The Historical Societies

unable to attend the meeting. They now have a new smaller American flag for use for opening ceremonies, which will be easier to carry. The renewal of the "Torch" for 1983 is now available. A short business meeting followed. Americanism Chairman Iola Forbes presented two poems: Bessie Pope, "Grateful for Christmas," and "Christmas Thoughts" by Adeline Dexter, for the good of the order and our country. Bessie Pope presented a knit afghan for veterans' use at Togus.

A Christmas tree and exchange of gifts was held following the meeting. Maude Danforth was in charge of this yearly event.

The committee for the next meeting is Rose Taylor, Jane Van and Mary Bishop, which will be April 7, 1982. The group is recessed for the winter months.

## W. W. I. BARRACKS & AUXILIARY HELD REGULAR MEETING

The World War I Barracks and Auxiliary #2943 met at the Legion Hall on Vernon Street, Wednesday, Dec. 2, for their monthly meeting. It was preceded by a Christmas Ham Dinner plus pies and delicious salads, served by Hilda Donahue, Frances Bennett, Leona Lurvey, Jane Van and Adeline Dexter. The table was decorated with Christmas favors. Seventeen members were seated; the blessing was given by Chaplain Marjorie Cummings.

The Auxiliary's meeting opened at 1:30, with President Myra Stevens presiding. All officers were present by roll call.

The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and approved; all outstanding bills were paid.

Olive Head, Sunshine Chairman, gave her report of sick cards; get well, 14; sympathy, three; birthday, one, and two notes. Christmas baskets will be delivered to those members confined at home. Also Christmas cards for those

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## Newry

— Miss Amy Hanscom, Corres. —

The selectmen have named James Sysko and Francis Berry to represent Newry on the advisory committee for the proposed new school building construction.

Stephen Wight, Stephen Powers, and John Gauthier of the Recreation Committee, Willard Wight, A. Lee Swan, Norman Duman and George Merrill of the Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club met at the Sunday River Inn, Monday evening, Nov. 30. After considerable discussion it was voted two to one to take \$600 from the Recreation funds to purchase a snowmobile to be used for grooming trails, and as an emergency rescue vehicle.

The Selectmen met Wednesday morning, Dec. 2. The Selectmen have been under considerable pressure about matured tax liens. The Town presently holds \$1,423.02 in tax liens, \$1,038.22 of which have matured. After a discussion it was decided that some action would have to be taken on these liens unless some arrangements were made to pay. It was voted to volunteer to host the February meeting of the Oxford County Municipal Officers Association. Stephen Wight will arrange for a mock town meeting. Some work has been done on the Annual Town Report. The Selectmen have received two bids for printing of the report. It was voted to ask the Bethel Citizen to submit a bid.

Mrs. Louise Learned was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummings and family, Madison, Nov. 25 to 28.

The Mothers Club Christmas Party will be held Dec. 14 at the home of Beatrice Lowell. A pot luck supper will be held at 6:30, followed by exchange of gifts. Secret pals for the year will be revealed at this meeting. The recent food sale was very successful.

Kenneth Davis was guest of honor at a birthday party Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Davis. His birthday is on Dec. 8. Attending besides the honored guest and his parents were Mr. and Mrs. Brian Hanscom of Newry. The birthday cake was made and decorated by Mrs. Eleanor Davis.

A total of \$18,573.81 in 1981 taxes remained unpaid Dec. 1, from a commitment of \$115,104.66 plus \$66 in supplemental taxes. Discount allowed was \$731 and there was one abatement of \$26.40.

The meeting of the Planning Board scheduled for Dec. 7, was postponed until Wed., Dec. 16, at

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## Bryant Pond

— Mrs. Alice F. Hoyt, Corres. —

Woodstock Senior Citizens met recently for their December meeting with a good attendance. A delicious dinner was served by the Woodstock Alumni. Special thanks was expressed to Sonja Davis for making a beautiful Christmas tree birthday cake for the members. Exchange of gifts and cards were enjoyed. During January and February there will be no meetings. In March there will be a pot luck dinner and game party. Officers elected for 1982 are: President, Mary Knights; Vice President, Verna Swan; Secretary, Annie Crockett; Treasurer, Ruby Emery; card committee, Ethel McKenzie. The group accepted with regret the resignation of Florence Fife, who has served as secretary for several years.

Looking ahead at the Baptist Church on Dec. 13 at 7 p. m. Sunday School and Awana Clubs Christmas program, Sunday, Dec. 20 at 6 p. m. a play "An Early Christmas".

The Thanksgiving Holiday found the Bill and Ernestine Riley household a bit more crowded than usual. Daughter Kathleen with

husband Aram Barbarian and their friend Sherri Nice, all from Charlestown, R. I., arrived Thursday evening as did the Riley's, former next door neighbors Marwan and Ghassan Basrawi from Dhamran, Saudi Arabia. Daughter Crystal Riley, who lives in Portland, appeared after finishing work later in the evening to be followed by youngest daughter Kelly Riley who journeyed over from Plymouth, N. H. Lucia Verdill of Bryant Pond, who is "Grandma" to this clan joined the group on Friday for the traditional Thanksgiving dinner. A fourth daughter, Candace Riley of Pompano Beach, Fla., could not be with the family, therefore visiting with her was done by phone.

Daughters of Veterans will meet on Monday, Dec. 14, for a regular meeting and Christmas party at the home of Alice Hoyt. There will be a tasting party.

Mrs. Beatrice Farnum has been confined at home with fractured ribs.

Woodstock Extension will meet at the home of Ernestine Riley, Gore Road on Wednesday, Dec. 16 at 1:00 p. m. This meeting will be a Christmas Tasting Party, each member is also asked to bring a wrapped gift to exchange.

## Albany HUNT'S CORNER AND VICINITY

— Kathy Bennett, Corres. —

It is a beautiful December day after the blizzard conditions on Sunday. Nice to see snow!

Albert McAllister was guest of honor at a surprise birthday party given by his children on Saturday afternoon. Those attending were Elna and Russ Hall of Denmark; Alberta White, Joe and Rodney McAllister, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl McAllister and Dean.

Callers at the home of Hugh and Edith Stearns have been Howard and Barb Inman, June Inman and Terry and Darrell Howard.

Recent visitors at the Barton Farm have been Leslie Moulton of West Baldwin, Roger and Yvette Barton and children, Kathy and Dick Bennett, and Billy and Yvonne Bennett and girls.

All is well as K-D's Acres, Saturday night a group of us got together at the dance in Locke Mills to celebrate Dick's 40th birthday. A good time was had by all.

David Bennett spent the week end with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. LaForest Twitchell and Aunt Kay and Aunt Dot in Bryant Pond.

Friday evening Franklin and Margaret Barton came down for pie and ice cream to celebrate Dick's birthday.

Callers here during the week have been Jeff Barton, Barb Inman, Jean Reynolds, and Sarah Grover.

Tuesday, Lib Scribner and I made wreaths for the sale held last Saturday.

Wednesday, Margaret Barton and I went to Brownfield to visit Fran Parsons and twin boys.

I wish to thank, in behalf of the Church Circle, all of you that helped in any way with our Christmas sale. It was a huge success! We all should be very thankful for the wonderful community we live in.

## Upton

— Mrs. Arline Bernier, Corres. —

Some reports are that this was the biggest December snowstorm in 50 years. I doubt that would hold true for Upton but we may have had a record number of sunless days through November and December. We got less snow here than in Berlin—about 18".

Wednesday evening I attended the Learning Fair at Telstar which featured an aerobic dance. Due to heavy mist and freezing temperature I drove slowly through Newry and saw a small size deer in the road. This creature did some very dance-like foot work, turned around, "danced" some more, almost seemed to curtsy as she faced me and skipped off towards the woods. I wondered if she'd been watching through the window at Telstar and wanted to prove she could do all but clap her hands over her head.

Elsie Fuller was without electricity for several hours after a squirrel tangled with the transformer.

Mr. Smith of Andover is fixing some roads on Back Street to haul out the rest of the wood cut last spring on Boise Cascade land.

There was a good turn out at Church considering the weather. The monthly communion service was held.

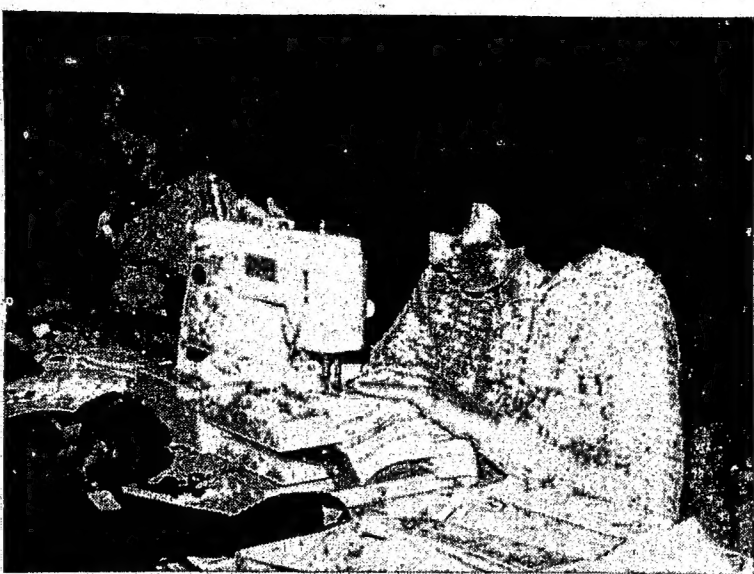
Lucille Largesse called on neighbors last week with her household products.

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## Andover

— Mrs. Marjorie Jodrey, Cor. —

On Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday new tenants moved into "Elderwood Manor". They are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hutchins, Mr. and Mrs. Norman White, Mrs. George Fraser, Mrs. Elizabeth Sennett, and Mrs. Madeline Wentzell. We the neighbors welcome them and hope they will enjoy their stay in such cute and efficient apartments. Mrs. Ann Fox will be moving in on Friday.

Mrs. Minnie Akers, Newton Street, has returned after visiting a few days in Portland with Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCloud.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Swain entertained at Thanksgiving dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Swain and Courtney of Bethel; Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Swain and Gregory, of Jericho, Vt.; Miss Leigh Breidenbach of Farmington; Ross Swain of Roxbury, and Miss Breidenbach's brother, Gordon Breidenbach of Haverhill, Mass.

Thanksgiving evening Violet Swain left for Waterville, called there by the serious illness of her foster mother, Leona Prentiss.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Johnston attended the Triple Town Swingers Square Dance in Wilton Saturday night. Phil Adams of Southern Maine was the caller. Others from Andover were Delmar and Rena Parker, Carol and Odis Morton, Norma and Freeman Farrington. There were three and a half squares from the Mollockett Mixers there.

How pretty the first real snow of the winter is but after you've shoveled out after two or three it doesn't seem so pretty.

Interim Minister Rev. Norman Rust had as his sermon topic, "A Message of Comfort," on Sunday, Dec. 6, at the First Congregational Church of Andover.

At 6 p. m. on Dec. 6 a meeting of all youth of the church from Junior High through Senior High was held in the C.E.B. They explored the possibility of forming a Youth Fellowship Group to meet regularly.

On Monday, Dec. 7, the Ladies Aid met with a pot luck dinner and Christmas party. Gifts were exchanged.

Thursday, choir rehearsal at 7:30 p. m. All interested singers are invited to this meeting and to help with the Christmas music.

Floral arrangements in the church on Dec. 6 were in memory of Violet Swain's foster mother, Leona Prentiss, who passed away the day after Thanksgiving.

On Sunday, Dec. 13, 11 a. m. Morning Worship and Church School; 5 p. m. Pot luck supper in the C.E.B.; 6 p. m. Hayride and Christmas carolling. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult for the hayride.

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## North Paris

— Eveline B. Vatcher, Corres. —

A beautiful Monday morning after the blizzard of Sunday. Wasn't it great to have a nice foot of the white stuff that we all have wanted so to go to the ski slopes? All day Sunday I thought of Eva Yates of Sunday River and hoped that she would use caution when she took the "Go-Shoes" and ski poles and headed for the top of the mountain, before any one else was up to see if she fell down gracefully. That's the only way to fall.

When my husband and I were in Massachusetts last Monday, Nov. 30, we went on a side trip of four miles, to see the devastation in Lynn. It was a sad, sorry sight. The streets were all blocked off, so we rode around the "Square" and that was enough. There were two more three alarm fires on Tuesday, so the place is very black and desolate looking. Coming at this time of year makes it seem worse. Mrs. Flora Gozal, Joe's aunt lives nearby so we made a call on her.

Harold Vatcher was taken to Stephens Memorial Hospital Friday and he is in Intensive Care. Heart attack. Maybe he will be able to come home Tuesday. When he gets righted around he will need a pacemaker.

Doris Lawrence had a doctor's

appointment Thursday and then went to the Norway hospital for a bone scan. She found that she has spondylolisthesis. Maybe you can pronounce it better than I can. The specialist said she was born with it, and it took 64 years for it to act up and make itself known. No wonder she has had such terrible back pains. It is bad enough to be born with asthma without any more added frills. The people say that after 60, the years are Golden, but I can't figure out what is golden unless it is the pain.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett White and three children, Merrimac, Mass., spent the week end with her mother, Rhoda Vatcher, and also visited her Dad at the hospital before returning Sunday in the blizzard.

When I read of all the "goodies" that Eva Yates has on her different trips and parties, I have come to the conclusion that she doesn't count calories any more. More power to you Eva, and eat a snack for me.

It's that time of year again. Hope every one has stocked up on stamps, and are all set for the piles of Christmas cards to be addressed and sent.

Several attended the hunters' supper at West Paris, Friday evening.

Until next week "keep the snow shovel handy".

## Telstar R. H. S. News

by Lisa Pelzel

On Wednesday, Nov. 25, the students of Telstar entered the auditorium for a 40-minute concert. The band "Mainstream" performed and did a fine job. The group consists of six young men, seniors, John Schachter, Tim Kersey, and Lawrence Smith; juniors, Mike Parker, Sean Kersey, and a 1980 graduate of Telstar, Jeff Hastings. The students enjoyed the break, before leaving for the Thanksgiving vacation.

For the past four weeks, the academic senior English class has been reading the Shakespearean play "Hamlet." The students who participated, got a feeling of how to read that style of literature.

The boys' varsity basketball team lost their first scrimmage to Oak Hill. The JV boys were given a chance to play, and did well against the opposing varsity team. Their second scrimmage was against Monmouth, two days later, and the boys showed improvement. The varsity lost by five, and the JV team won. Coach, Billy Mitchell, said the boys did a real good job. Their first game was on Friday, Dec. 4, at Bangor. Telstar lost by five again, to the Lakers. Gould visits Telstar on Saturday to play, both the girls' and the boys' teams.

The girls' basketball team lost their first game to Mt. Abram, on Dec. 1. There are no standouts this year. "Everyone is quite equal," states Coach Durgin. It is a very young team, but the girls will have speed. Mr. Durgin said the girls should gain a lot of experience. The girls hope to have much support on Saturday. The team had a boost of confidence last Friday when they defeated Rangely, 42-36. Improvement is in the air.

Ski members skied Sugarloaf Mountain last week for five days, returning on Dec. 4. Ones involved were: Jill O'Donnell, Bryan O'Donnell, Heidi Burk, Chris Mills, Robbie James, and Malin Kvist. The trails were icy in spots, but the snow was excellent.

I am open to comment or questions: Lisa Pelzel, P.O. Box 84, West Bethel, Maine 04286. I can also be contacted through Telstar.

A brief party will follow at the home of Betsy Fisher for all fourth graders and older adults. Cookies and cocoa will be supplied by Church School teachers for children and youth.

Thursday, Dec. 17, 6 p. m., dress rehearsal for Church School Christmas program at C.E.B.

Saturday, Dec. 19, 9 a. m. Another rehearsal for Christmas program that will be held on Sunday, Dec. 20, at 8:30 p. m. in the church. All are invited to attend the program.

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## MOLLOCKETT MIXERS

CLASS DANCE

The first Mollockett Mixers class square dance will be held at the Rumford Middle School (please note the change in school location), on Friday, Dec. 11, at 8 p. m. The caller will be Skip Moore and rounds will be cued by Wally Weeks.

6:30 p. m. followed by a visit from Santa and an exchange of gifts.

The Church board of the Universalist Church will meet at the Manse, Thursday, Dec. 10.

Youth Fellowship will hold a food sale and a gift table on Friday, Dec. 11, from 2-6 p. m. at the West Paris General Store.

The monthly meeting of the West Paris Historical Society will be held Monday, Dec. 14, 7 p. m. at the hall. Program: Christmas music, members' recollections of Pearl Harbor Day.

Mrs. Clara Gordon has returned home from Maine Medical Center, Portland.

Mrs. Ruth Hazelton was discharged from Stephens Memorial Hospital on Friday.

Arnold Cram, Rosemary, Bobbi-Jo and Anthony, South Paris, called on Mr. and Mrs. Stan Cram, Arlene and Lyndell Farr on Sunday.

Mrs. Louvie Coffin and Madeline Jacobs returned home, Monday, after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hutchinson in Rockland over the holiday.

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**MRS. ESTHER B. STANLEY**

Mrs. Esther Bowker Stanley, of 544 Second Ave., Berlin, N. H., died Monday, Dec. 7, 1981, at the Androscoggin Valley Hospital, after a long illness.

She was born in Bryant Pond, May 1, 1886, the daughter of James and Ellen Davis Bowker and lived in Berlin most of her life. She was the widow of Edward R. (Ted) Stanley, who died in July 1981. Mrs. Stanley was an avid bridge player and was a member of the North Country Bridge Club. She was also a member of the Berlin Congregational Church and a former member of the Berlin Women's Club.

She is survived by two sons, Robert E. Stanley of Milan, N. H., and Edward R. Stanley of Burnham, Maine; a daughter, Mrs. Edward (Marguerite) Hale, Castine, Maine; and a brother, Elmer Bowker of Clearwater, Fla. Memorial services will be held in the spring.

**Washington Watch**

by Olympia J. Snowe  
Member of Congress  
2nd District, Maine

A new wrinkle has surfaced offering hope for a permanent solution to the problems experienced by Maine potato growers.

In the course of our investigation of the potato situation and in light of the controversy about the proposed \$200-per-load potato import fee on Canadian shipments, my office discovered that the U. S. trade representative's office may be able to provide help. Maine farmers suffering from the impact of relative dollar values in dealing with Canadian growers may petition the trade representative for relief, and the trade representative has been persuaded to assist in the effort.

The problems of the Maine growers are well documented, but the latest news seems to indicate that the federal government is at last taking the potato woes seriously. The state's intention was to impose the import fee on seed potatoes from Canada, but the Justice Department proclaimed this to be potentially unconstitutional. Then, a possible solution was discovered: Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974.

This Clause provides for action on the part of the trade representative on Canadian trade practices in the United States that can be proved to be "unjustifiable, unreasonable or discriminatory." If he finds the claims to be valid, the trade representative then may recommend to the president the enactment of retaliatory action. Such action could include increased tariffs, establishment of new quotas or other means.

To further this process, I have arranged for the trade representative's office to provide the services of legal advisors to assist Maine growers in filing petitions. By completing this task, the growers can draw proper attention to a situation badly in need of review.

This arrangement could prove to be a significant step toward the resolution of the potato problem, but growers must participate in order to be effective. The plan offers a reasonable solution to the trade problem, and I would urge Maine growers to participate in the petition process. Should the \$200 fee be litigated in the courts and found to be unconstitutional, it could be another answer.

Tax Relief: Information released this week by the Department of the Treasury indicates that Mainers will pay \$185 million less in personal income taxes in 1982 because of the administration's tax-cut plan.

As good as this news may be, it is only the start. A marginal income tax rate reduction of 5% went into effect on Oct. 1 and will be combined on Jan. 1 with changes in deductions provided for

**Locke Mills**

Mrs. John Mills, Corres.

There will be a pot luck Christmas supper for the Greenwood Fire Department and Auxiliary and their families and guests. The community is also invited to join the festivities. It will be held on Sunday, Dec. 13, at the Fire Station. There will be food from the salad, dessert and casserole groups and each family is asked to bring a dish or combination of two dishes from those three groups according to the size of your family. Santa Claus is expected to visit the children following the supper.

The Ladies Circle will hold its Christmas dinner and tree beginning at noon at the Sunday School annex on Wednesday, Dec. 16. Please bring something for the dinner and a gift for the tree.

The Fish and Game Association will hold its pot luck Christmas supper and tree on Thursday, Dec. 17, at 6 p. m., at the Town Hall. Please bring something for the supper and a gift for the tree.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mills were in Norway Thursday where Mrs. Mills had her foot x-rayed, having fallen into a hole some time previously. Luckily no bones were broken.

Dora Ford says she has a cute little yellow and white kitten named Sunshine.

Reminder: The Christmas Cantata will be held at the Locke Mills Church on Saturday, Dec. 19, at 7 p. m. The Sunday School will hold its program Sunday evening at 6 p. m. at the Church. There will also be a Christmas tree.

The Cub Scouts held its first meeting Tuesday at Flossie Bernier's. Meetings will be held regularly on Tuesdays after school.

Mrs. John Mills celebrated her 49th birthday, Dec. 7. She enjoyed some cake and ice cream with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Colby and boys. Then visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mason and family and from there they visited awhile with Mrs. Mildred Merrill.

second-income earners on jointly filed returns, resulting in the \$185 million figure estimated for fiscal 1982. A second marginal rate reduction of 10% will take effect on July 1, 1982; it will combine with a reduction in the maximum rate on investment income from 70% to 50% in 1982 to slice personal income taxes for Mainers in fiscal 1983 by \$494 million over the old rate. Cumulative effects of these changes and a further 10% reduction in the marginal income tax rate in 1983 will mean savings of \$783 million in 1984.

Ex-Im Hotline: The Export-Import Bank of the United States has established a toll-free hotline to inform small businessmen of assistance available small-business exporters. The bank's Small Business Advisory Service uses the line to provide a one-call central source for export-related questions or problems. The toll-free number is (800) 424-5201.

The Ex-Im Bank reports that the service has been an effective aid for small importers seeking help. More than 20,000 hotline calls have been received to date.

**DIED**

In Berlin, N. H., Dec. 7, Mrs. Esther B. Stanley, native of Bryant Pond, aged 95 years.

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**NORDIC SKI & OUTING CLUB  
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On Saturday, Dec. 5, 27 members of the Bethel Nordic Ski and Outing Club, including newest additions, the Dick Holsingtons, enjoyed a pot luck supper and meeting hosted by Ginger and Gene Kelly.

With the season's first snowfall gathering strength outside, the group enthusiastically planned a full winter of family-oriented fun and community service. Major committees include: Financial Executive, Don Angevine, Gene Kelly, Anita Remington; Policy, Bob Remington, Dick Holsington, Melinda Remington, Bettyann Hastings; Winter Activities, Ginger Kelly and Dick Holsington.

As its first project the club will put on a hot soup meal for the participants when the Bill Koch Van is in town on Dec. 18. The club also invites anyone who may be interested to attend a free Nordic coaches' clinic at Laconia, N. H., on Dec. 20 (for information contact Don Angevine).

Still less than a year old, the Nordic Ski and Outing Club continues to thrive and grow and is most anxious to further expand their membership and community contribution.

**EIGHT DEAD BALD EAGLES  
DURING PAST YEAR IN MAINE**

An unprecedented total of eight dead bald eagles were recovered in Maine during the past year. At least four died from shooting. A two-year-old immature eagle was killed by a rifle shot Nov. 23 along a road between Big and Little Scott Brook, south of Caucommac Lake in TS R14 in northern Piscataquis County. A second immature eagle was shot and found dead at the East Machias dump in Washington County on Dec. 3. Two adult eagles were shot in Washington County last spring. An immature eagle (likely a fifth shooting victim) and the ninth eagle mortality in 1981 was seen with a shattered wing near Jonesport on Oct. 1, the opening day of waterfowl hunting season.

Individuals having information on these or other eagle violations should contact Richard Stott, federal game warden, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P. O. Box 7342, Portland, Maine 04112 (telephone 207-780-3335) or to the nearest state warden. The bald eagle, designated an endangered species in 1973 and the national symbol since 1782, is protected by both state and federal law. Penalties for shooting or molesting an eagle range up to a \$5,000 fine and/or one-year imprisonment. One-half of any fine is awarded to the person(s) providing information leading to a conviction. The National Wildlife Federation offers an additional \$500 reward.

State wildlife personnel had been encouraged by slight increases in the numbers of eagles and their nesting success in recent years. In 1981, 64 pairs of eagles nested and raised 49 eaglets. However, re-

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6,700 NEW CUSTOMERS**

Central Maine Power Company will soon begin serving approximately 6,700 new Maine customers in communities on the New Hampshire border formerly served by Public Service Company of New Hampshire. It was announced last week by a CMP spokesman. The switch, expected to occur on Dec. 15, is the result of negotiation between the utilities to transfer PSNH's franchise service area and electric properties to the Maine utility.

The sale for approximately \$3 million was approved earlier this month by the Maine Public Utilities Commission and last week received final approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. CMP and PSNH expect to close the deal on Dec. 15 and CMP will begin providing service to its newest group of customers in 13 border communities.

A number of the Maine PSNH customers had earlier petitioned the Maine Public Utilities Commission to require PSNH to sell its properties to CMP so that they could take advantage of CMP's favorable rates which result from a larger proportion of lower cost nuclear power and hydroelectric power.

The PUC asked the two companies to negotiate a transfer, and last year the properties were offered for sale. Customers affected by this transfer are located in 13 towns: Eliot, Kittery, York, Lebanon, Acton, Newfield, Porter, Parsonsfield, Fryeburg, Shaw, Upton, Lincoln, Plantation (Oxford County), and Magalloway.

**BETHEL HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

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attention of all those present. The main part of the program however focused on a selection of slides from last summer's Indian Raid '81 activities which were narrated by Society Director Stanley Howe.

During the business portion of the meeting, President Donald G. Bennett called attention to the publication of the 1982 Bethel Historical Society calendar which is now available in the museum store. The proposal to join the Oxford County League of Historical Societies was discussed and it was voted to become a member. Society Director Howe was selected as the delegate with President Bennett chosen as alternate. The next meeting will feature "So You Think You Know Bethel" and will be held on Jan. 7.

The evening was completed with a great variety of special Christmas favorites including filled cookies and Indian pudding.

searchers have concluded that rates of mortality in the population have a greater impact on the status and long-term survival of the bald eagles. The high level of mortality for Maine eagles in 1981, elevated over natural rates by shooting, is a severe setback to recent improvements made by the struggling eagle population in Maine.

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**Gould to Present  
"Our Town" in Feb.**

Mrs. Carol Fiske, Gould Academy's Drama Department chairperson, has begun rehearsals for the winter production of Thornton Wilder's "Our Town". Over 29 Gould students are taking part in the presentation of this very popular show, with some of the leading roles being played by: Suzanne Wells, a junior from Pomfret, Conn., as Emily; Senior Tony Hanson, Rowley, Mass., as Mr. Webb; Junior Christi Coyle, Westport, Conn., as Mrs. Webb; and Aaron French, a sophomore from Round Pond, as Wally. Dr. Gibbs will be played by Timothy Feleppa, a senior from Southampton, N. Y.; Mrs. Gibbs by Junior Hilda Kurtz, Paris Hill; George by David Britten, a senior from Skowhegan, and Rebecca by freshman Benit Field, Stow, Mass.

Stage managers are Luis Rosado, a sophomore from New York City, and Junior Chris Bickford from Cromwell, Conn. The fine stage facilities at Gould's William Bingham Hall will be used to the utmost and work has already begun on the sets, costumes and lights necessary to the success of the show.

Interested theater goers are advised to keep an eye out for further announcements about "Our Town" which will be performed in February of 1982.

**SCHOOL EXPENDITURES  
FOR MAINE ROSE 7.3%  
IN 1980-81 OVER 1979-80**

Maine elementary and secondary school expenditures rose by 7.3% in 1980-81 over 1979-80 according to a preliminary computation made by the Division of Management Information of the Maine Department of Educational and Cultural Services.

Total dollar figures for 1980-81 amounted to \$391,711,858 exclusive of \$2,685,686 in federal monies. The figure reflects an increase of \$26,600,865.

The rate of increase declined in 1980-81 for the second time since 1973-74. In 1978-79 the rate of increase was 7.8% and in 1979-80 it was 7.4%.

The total cost figure, which was computed from financial report summaries supplied to the Department from school systems throughout the state, includes elementary and secondary operations, special education, vocational education,

**BETHEL HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
PUBLISHES 1982 CALENDAR**

The Bethel Historical Society's 1982 calendar is now available and may be picked up at the Society's museum store, at Brown's Variety Store, or at Denison's. This year's calendar features a wide variety of photographs of Bethel's past. Featured on the cover is a fine photo of the railroad station. Inside are photos of Main Street, the Springer Mill (now Hanover Dowell), East Bethel, Christopher Bean's Ferry, the village from Sunset Rock, the brick grammar school, West Bethel Church, Jonathan Clark's house and Honest Corner. The supply is limited so anyone wishing one for the holiday season is encouraged to shop early.

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Motorists are urged to have a cloth or roll of paper towels in the vehicle for cleaning light lenses—especially in sloppy weather.

"We must see—and we must be seen for safety's sake," said Col. Weeks, who urges all drivers to be as safety conscious as the truck and bus fleets that insist their operators keep rear lights and reflectors clearly visible to warn drivers following them.

transportation operation, bus purchases, major capital outlay and debt service.

The figures for each were elementary operating costs, \$186,661,596; secondary operating costs, \$114,275,908; special education, \$22,712,628; vocational education, \$10,427,661; transportation operating costs, \$26,671,214; bus purchases, \$3,692,281; major capital outlay, \$3,223,565; and debt service, \$26,092,691.

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